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INTERESTING DEVELOPMENTS.

New Fire Insurance Companies are Organized.

The Island City Bank.

THE LATE WEBSTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

BROOKLYN CITY COURT—Dec. 19.

Before Judge Culver.

George W. Brown vs. Loring Pickering, Mary F. Pickering and Charles N. Bean.—This case has occupied the attention of this Court for two days past, and has attracted much attention from the fact that the evidence on the part of the plaintiff, gives very completely the history of the late "*Webster Fire Insurance Company, of New-York*," which was throttled a little more than a year ago by the State Comptroller and expired without a struggle.

The action upon which these developments are made, is brought to set aside a conveyance made by plaintiff to defendants, Charles N. Bean, on the 20th of April, 1855, of a house and lot valued at $7,300, located at the corner of Lafayette-avenue and St. Felix-street, Brooklyn, and which was a short time subsequently conveyed by said Bean to Mary F. Pickering, wife of defendant Pickering, and mother of said Bean, on the ground alleged in the complaint of fraud; that the stock of the "Webster Insurance Company"—received in payment—was entirely worthless, and that the representations were false and fraudulent, and that defendant knew it to be so at the time; that Bean merely lent his name for the purpose of enabling Pickering to carry out his fraud, and afterwards conveyed the property to Mrs. P. so as to enable Mr. P. more easily to conduct the business and give a color of good faith to the transaction; that no consideration whatever was paid by Mrs. P. to Bean.

The testimony is very voluminous and discloses the following facts: Previous to the sale, Mr. Pickering called upon Mr. Brown, who is a large real-estate owner, and stated that he was authorized to purchase a house for cash, but declined to give the name of the person. A house was selected, price agreed upon, and Mr. Brown was requested to have the deeds made out, leaving a blank for the grantee's name. Subsequently he informed Mr. Brown that he could not pay the cash, but offered him instead stock to an equal amount of the "Webster Fire Insurance Company," which he represented as being a solid Company. Upon these representations the stock was accepted and the deeds delivered, when the name of Charles N. Bean was inserted as grantee. Mr. Pickering's family took possession of the house, and after a few months had elapsed Bean transfers the property to Mrs. Pickering, as stated above. These statements were sworn to by Mr. Mackay, the agent of Mr. Brown.

The next testimony introduced, was to show that the "Webster Insurance Company" was a "bogus" concern.

John Miller, one of the Commissioners, directed to examine into their qualifications to receive a charter, says that on the 24th of March, 1855, he gave the Company the certificate upon which they obtained a charter. The capital consisted in bonds and mortgages, ($90,000,) and cash in Island City Bank, ($60,000,) in all $150,000; he received the affidavit of the Secretary of the Company (Dr. Blaisdell) that the assets were bona fide.

HOW $60,000 WAS OBTAINED.

James O'Brien, President of the Island City Bank, was placed upon the stand, and reluctantly testified that he knew but little about the $60,000. Two Tellers of this Bank were also examined. These witnesses were examined at some length, and the fact was elicited that the $60,000, deposited there to the credit of the Webster Insurance Company, was all based upon checks in the following manner: The Bank loaned the Insurance Company three checks:—$10,000, $30,000 and $20,000—$60,000, and noted the same on the Bank-Book. At the same time a *certified* check for $60,000 was given to Mr. S. A. Pearce, Vice President of the Webster Insurance Company, and another check for a like amount was placed in the paying-teller's drawer. These checks were all dated March 24, 1855—a significant fact when it is considered that this was the same day on which they received the certificate from the Commissioner upon which they obtained their charter.

HOW [illegible] THOUSAND DOLLARS IN BONDS AND MORTGAGES WERE OBTAINED.

Mr. Dennis Harris, an Englishman of wealth and a Sugar Refiner, living in the upper part of New-York City, and at this time quite wealthy, about the date of the organization of the "Webster Fire Insurance Company," was in want of $90,000. He, or his Secretary, Mr. Gilbert, either accidentally or otherwise met Rufus Bell, Esq., Counsellor for the "Webster Fire Insurance Company," who, upon ascertaining the wants of Mr. Harris, divulged to him the fact that a new Insurance Company was organizing, with $150,000 capital, and that all but $90,000 of the stock had been subscribed for. The following proposition was made: That Mr. Harris should give the Company $90,000 worth of Bonds and Mortgages, and to receive therefor $60,000 in cash and $30,000 worth of stock in the Company. Mr. Harris, after due consideration and inquiry, made the arrangement proposed. In consideration of this "lift" we suppose, he was subsequently elected President of the Company, unsolicited, and receiving the flattering vote of seven out of ten present at the meeting. But this is a little digression.

Mr. Harris fulfilled his part of the agreement and transferred the bonds and mortgages and received the $30,000 worth of shares and notes, or checks, for the $30,000 cash promised, made payable at a time subsequent when he needed it to meet other engagements. It is hardly necessary to say that he never received the money, and considered himself most fortunate in getting back his bonds and mortgages, with a loss, as the Secretary testifies, of only about $16,000. The mortgages and bonds were assigned by Mr. Harris early in March, and were reassigned April 1, 1855. During this interval the never-to-be-forgotten 24th of March was passed, when the Webster Insurance Company received from the Commissioner before named, the certificate upon which the charter for the Company was obtained. These particulars are brought out in the testimony of Mr. Thomas Gilbert, who was at that time Secretary to Mr. Harris.

There were other bonds and mortgages, amounting to $30,000 or more, the history of which we shall give at another time, and which more directly affect the *suit in question.*

THE BREAKING-UP—THE ASSETS.

Mr. Wm. Barnes, a Commissioner appointed to investigate the affairs of the Webster Insurance Company, arrived in New-York July 14, 1855, and commenced his labors that day. Mr. Harris, who was then President, and Dr. Blaisdell, Secretary, attended before him. *Instead of finding $150,000 assets,* he found what purported to be good, and represented to the Department as such, $51,194, which includes the bonds and mortgages reassigned April 1, 1855, to Mr. Harris, viz.:

GOOD ASSETS.

Bonds and Mortgages, Harris and wife	$36,000
Bonds and Mortgages, new house, Harris and wife	10,000
Cash due from Mr. Harris	1,194
Estimated amount due from brokers and ag'ts	3,000
Fixtures and one safe	1,000
Total	$51,194

This representation of the affairs of the company caused the appointment of Mr. N. B. Brewster as Receiver to wind up the company—as from their showing it had pretty effectually run down. He commenced his labors Sept. 25, 1855. He was placed upon the stand, and was not positive whether he realized $15 or $25 as the whole result of the assets of the company, with the exception of a safe. There were two safes, and one was seized upon by the landlord.

A STATIONER TAKEN IN.

Mr. Charles E. Wescott, a stationer, was placed upon the stand. When the "Webster Fire Insurance Company" was organizing, they purchased of Mr. W. $150 worth of books and other materials which he kept for sale, and received in payment therefor, a check on the Island City Bank. When presented, payment was refused, for the excellent reason that the Company *had no funds on deposit. He still* retains possession of the check, and will undoubtedly sell it at a great sacrifice.

HOW DIRECTORS WERE OBTAINED.

Mr. Wescott was subsequently urged to consent to be one of the Directors—he declined, as he owned no stock, but finally consented, on the condition that all of the stock was paid in and there was no "bogus." His name was used, and out of self-respect he published a card denying that his name had been used with his consent. This course was prompted by the fact that Mr. S. A. Pierce, Vice-President of the Webster Insurance Company, applied to him to assist in getting up some "underground" stock—which he declined doing, for good and sufficient reasons.

ANOTHER DIRECTOR.

Dr. Jas. C. Forrester—testified that he was never a Director with his consent; but his name was placed on the list as such without it; he never owned any stock.

Mr. A. C. Bell, gave a partial consent upon the representations of his nephew, Rufus, who was Counsellor, that it would benefit him, under the assurance that all was right. He owned no stock.

ANOTHER—GENEROSITY OF THE CO.

Mr. Thomas Gilbert, Secretary to Mr. Harris, had the honors of a directorship thrust upon him unsolicited. He did not own any stock, and one day, much to his surprise, received a PIANO as a present from the Webster Fire Insurance. This was a little before the 1st of April, when the bonds and mortgages of Mr. Harris were reassigned. A little after the 1st of April, the Company sent a Sheriff and took the piano away. Mr. Gilbert, while on the witness stand, asked permission of the Court to state this act of generosity, that it might be recorded in their favor. He had it out before there was any ruling upon it.

THE STOCK.

One witness testified that a Mr. Holmes furnished a safe for the Company, and took his pay in stock, and heard that a Mr. Banker paid in $1,000 in cash, but he never heard of any other *bona fide* subscribers to the stock, and never saw the $1,000.

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Mr. Gilbert testified that Mr. Pickering, the defendant, was frequently in the office of the Company, and was very intimate with the officers, but thus far no transaction is shown connecting him directly with the Company.

The case is to be continued on Monday, when something further may be developed.

The defence is a general denial, and that defendant, Pickering, was insolvent at the time the house was purchased.

Counsel—For plaintiff, John P. Fery. For defendants, John Philips and —— Marsh.

LATEST INTELLIGENCE

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FROM WASHINGTON.

Senator Wilson's Speech—Appointment—Cabinet Matters.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Daily Times.

WASHINGTON, Friday, Dec. 19.

Senator WILSON'S speech to-day was full of facts, and very bold and effective.

Mr. G. HARE, of New-York, has been appointed Clerk of the House Judiciary Committee.

Hon. JAMES A. BAYARD is beginning to be talked of considerably for Secretary of State. S.

A Bill to Equalize Mileage—Arasona Territory.

WASHINGTON, Friday, Dec. 19.

Mr. KELSEY, a member of the House Mileage Committee, is preparing a bill to equalize mileage, which now ranges from seventeen dollars, (BOWIE, of Maryland,) to five thousand, nine hundred and sixty dollars (Delegates from Washington and Oregon,) a session. He proposes that the present rates be continued up to two hundred and fifty or five hundred miles, and all above this to be reduced to ten, instead of forty cents a mile; also a deduction of $25 or $50 per diem for voluntary absence from Congress.

It is said the Committee on Territories in the House will report against the memorial of the inhabitants of Arasona, asking the establishment of a Territorial Government.

The Kansas Judgeship—Mr. Dallas' Central American Treaty—Senator from Pennsylvania—The Dred Scott Case—Mr. Cumback's Speech in the House, &c.

Special Correspondence of the N. Y. Daily Times.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Dec. 17, 1856.

LECOMPTE'S REMOVAL.

The deed is done at last. LECOMPTE is removed from the Chief Justiceship of Kansas, and his successor is nominated. I announced the removal and the name of the new nominee some time ago. Since then, members of the Administration have denied the fact, declaring the statement premature. Their disclaimer was based upon the quibble that LECOMPTE was not removed until his letter of dismissal should reach him. That letter was sent to him a fortnight since, and he is now doubtless aware of his fate. It is not supposed that his friends will make any serious contest over the nomination of his successor, as the Senate has heretofore, after full discussion in "Executive session," directly decided that the President has the power to remove a Territorial Judge. Mr. HARRISON'S nomination will be confirmed as soon as reported from the Judiciary Committee.

THE CENTRAL AMERICAN QUESTION.

The Dallas Treaty, settling the Central American question between the United States and Great Britain, was also sent to the Senate to-day and referred. It is a simple, straight-forward document, in no degree impairs the stipulations of the Clayton-Bulwer Treaty, but gives them a practical and honorable interpretation by Great Britain's retirement from her pretensions to any possessions in the Bay Islands, and by her agreement to yield her Mosquito Protectorate. The consummation of the treaty does not depend directly upon the agreement of any of the Central American States, although it looks to arrangements by the Governments of Nicaragua and Costa Rica for the consummation of its object of harmonizing conflicting interests in that quarter. Such I understand to be the general scope of the instrument, although its details have not transpired here.

A POLITICAL BREEZE.

Quite a breeze is blowing in political circles to-night, in consequence of the well-authenticated statement that Mr. BUCHANAN has written, or agreed to write, certain letters in behalf of FORNEY'S election to the United States Senate. It seems that there are some tight rubs in prospect for the Pennsylvania Democracy in connection with the Senatorship. A portion of those relied upon to elect a Democrat, swear that FORNEY is a dose which they cannot be made to swallow,—that they will rebel and kick up a row generally if he is nominated,—and that they *would prefer even the election of SIMON CAMERON.* What is to be the upshot of all the fuss it is difficult *to say; but if I were to venture a guess, I would incline* to the opinion that FORNEY will find a way to rope them all in at last to whatever burden "Democracy" *chooses to impose upon them.*

THE CASE OF DRED SCOTT.

Hon. REVERDY JOHNSON continued the argument to-day before the Supreme Court, in the noted DRED SCOTT case. It will be deemed presumptuous to criticise unfavorably the effort of a lawyer so distinguished, yet I cannot help concurring in the opinion expressed to-night by gentlemen whose attainments at the Bar are quite as creditable if not so noted,—that Mr. JOHNSON'S argument partook more of the character of a stump speech, than that of a jurist. It was brilliant, eloquent and witty, of course; but, in dealing with the grave question of human freedom or slavery, and the *status* of Slavery under the Constitution, the learned gentlemen substituted sarcasm and ridicule of opposing views, for the logic which alone can convince a mind seeking to know the truth. I doubt not, however, that the argument will be heralded as one of the wonders of the day; but my word for it, Mr. JOHNSON will never place it on record without first extensively pruning and amending it.

NAVAL REFORM.

The Senate's Naval Reform Bill of last session is before the Naval Committee of the House, but excites little interest. The great struggle against it in the Senate last session was based upon the hope of officers who had been dropped or retired, that they would be able to procure a reversal of the action of the Retiring Board. To this end also all the nominations for promotions consequent upon the action of the Board, were resisted until the bill had been carried in the Senate, when they were at once acted upon. The *parties affected by the Retiring Board now generally take* no interest in the subject, and the bill will pass if it can be brought to a vote.

THE DEBATE IN THE HOUSE.

The debate in the House to-day fairly opened the breach which is certain to be made in the Democratic Party North and South; and PRESTON S. BROOKS had the honor of striking the first blow upon the wedge which is to drive them asunder,—repudiating, as he did, that squatter sovereignty, which gives the Legislature of a Territory the right to prohibit Slavery. Thus Mr. BROOKS takes position along side of HUMPHREY MARSHALL, and the Southern Americans; and that is the Platform exactly which the great mass of successful Southern politicians will be compelled to take ere BUCHANAN'S Administration is half over.

Mr. CUMBACK, of Indiana, made a good speech to-day at the opening of the debate. He thought the discussion profitable to disclose how the Presidential Election was carried, and what was the present position of parties. He arraigned the President for wilful misrepresentation in his statement that the Republicans sought to abolish Slavery in the States. He maintained that that idea neither was found in the platform of principles, in the press of the Republicans, or in the speeches of its advocates. It originated with the President, and his assault upon it in the message was but a contest between the President and his own imagination; and the President would be weak indeed if he were not equal for the contest. The defenders of the President brought the individual statements of men to prove the position of the message. If that was fair reasoning he could show that the so-called Democracy were in favor of Disunion, the slave-trade, polygamy, murder and arson by the same proofs.

He replied to the charge of disunion made against the Republicans by the President, and said that when FREMONT was nominated the Republicans plighted to each other and to the world, in their resolutions, that they would stand by the Union. The Democracy, when they met in Cincinnati, could not have passed, unanimously, a resolution to maintain and support the Union; there was too much disunion blood in their body to make the attempt. He would advise the President to heal his own party, before he attempted to cure those who had no disunion maladies. "Physician heal thyself," and "The whole need not the Physician," were passages in a book the President would do well to study.

He replied to CRAWFORD, of Georgia, who said that Slavery wanted room. The Slave States had not improved more than one fourth of their territory. It was not *Room*, but *Power*, that they wanted; and he read from Gov. ALLSTON'S inaugural to prove it. It was not to give sovereignty to the Territories that the Missouri Compromise was repealed, or they would have repealed the restrictions around Oregon and Minnesota. They could get no *Power* there and they cared nothing for the Principle.

Mr. C. was opposed to the extension of Slavery, because it restricted and confined constitutional liberty. His ancestors poured out their blood to enable him to enjoy the right of Free Speech and a Free Press, yet in fifteen States he could not speak his political sentiments without periling his life.

He was willing to meet the Southern man in the Territories on the same terms. To assist them in hewing down the forests and planting civilization in the Western wilds; but that he must not bring his slaves to blight and curse Free Labor.

In conclusion, he warned the South not to allow their fanaticism and selfishness to destroy their patriotism, by attempting further to extend the blight of Slavery.

The Strife for the Spoils in Pennsylvania—Interesting Debate in the Senate—Mr. Hale and Jones of Tennessee—Dr. Kane's Book, &c.

Special Correspondence of the N. Y. Daily Times.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, Dec. 18, 1856.

THE SPOILS IN PENNSYLVANIA.

Pennsylvania bids fair to rival New-York in the Democratic strife for spoils. Mr. BUCHANAN'S long public life has made him debtor to a host of friends, who have served him long and faithfully, and each of whom now feels that he has a special claim upon his gratitude, to be liquidated in a practical way. The strife between the claimants to his favor is becoming fierce already; and as ninety-nine out of a hundred of them must necessarily be disappointed, the rivalry is not likely to decrease.

JONES VS. BLACK.

The friends of Hon. J. GLANCY JONES have been quite busy here in consolidating influence to secure him whatever Cabinet appointment may fall to Pennsylvania. He was the leader of his party in the House last session during the Presidential fight there, which gives him a strong position and a fair capital to begin upon, saying nothing of any personal qualifications he may have for the place. The mode of operation is to secure sundry delegations in Congress to back up his claim for an appointment. This movement had progressed considerably and was getting along swimmingly ere it attracted the attention of Mr. JONES' opponents at home. A few days since, however, they got the news; and the result is, that a strong corps of Pennsylvanians are in town fighting desperately to counteract the Jones movement, and to secure an imposing force in behalf of the nomination to the Cabinet of Judge BLACK, who is well known as one of the ablest lawyers in his country, and an efficient, wise and prudent politician. If I were compelled to pin fast to one of them as the winning man, I should prefer trusting my chances with the Judge. So the game stands now, but to-morrow may change the position of affairs.

INTERESTING DEBATE IN THE SENATE.

The debate in the Senate to-day was somewhat interesting. Mr. JONES, of Tennessee, made a fair stump speech, which attracted attention, and pleased the galleries. The Senator's style of oratory is popular, and his arguments are delivered with an air of self-satisfaction indicating his own confidence in their invincibility. Tried in the crucible, however, and purged of their dross, they invariably present little but idle declamation. If the failure of his argument is made palpable on the instant by the interrogation of a brother Senator, he always has a story ready to create a laugh, and cover his weak point. Thus to-day, having called up Mr. HALE, and received from the latter a little speech that completely knocked in the head one of his points, Mr. JONES proceeded to apply to the Senator from New-Hampshire the story of one Sam Wilson, who lived down on the Mississippi River, at a place where immense numbers of wild hogs were to be had for the shooting. Sam was poor, had a large family, was troubled with a mortal aversion to work of all kinds, and yet always had an abundance of bacon. His neighbors finally suspected that he shot tame hogs instead of the wild animal, and one of them, accordingly, determined to watch him. Going out for the purpose, this neighbor, whom we will call Smith, for convenience, soon discovered Sam sneaking along, rifle in hand. After a little he stopped, drew the rifle to his shoulder, fired, and brought down a fine large tame hog, belonging to Smith. The latter approached cautiously from behind, and just as Sam was pulling a knife from his breast to commence the operation of dressing, slapped him on the shoulder, saying, "Ah! I've caught you at last, have I?" "*Caught h—l!*" *was Sam's instant response.* "*I'll* shoot all your d—d biting hogs that come boo-hoo-*ing at me!*"

The instant the laugh of the galleries over this *undignified story—better fitted for the purlieus of a three-*cent grog shop—had subsided, the Senator from Ten*nessee proceeded to rebuke Mr. HALE for maintain*ing the Higher Law, and accused him of sacrilege! *The title of the speaker to arrogate the duty of a* teacher of religion and morality, with profanity still seething on his own lips, will scarcely be conceded by the common sense of your readers.

Mr. HALE finally asked Mr. JONES what he would do in a case where a human enactment, according to his conscientious conviction, was directly in contravention of the law of God? In such a case, which would he obey? Mr. JONES evaded the direct answer and said that if he found that, as a Senator, he could not support the Constitution of his country, he would not perjure himself, but would resign his seat, and let somebody else take it who had an easier conscience. This you will perceive was begging the whole question. The Constitutional provision which the Senator had in his eye was that relating to the rendering up of fugitive slaves; and JONES' answer was good for nothing unless it is first granted that his own interpretation of that provision is the correct one, which Mr. HALE does not admit. In answer to another question by JONES as to whether he did not admit that the Constitution provided for the rendering up of Fugitive Slaves, Mr. HALE answered that he *did* recognize such a provision: but his understanding of it was that this obligation to render up persons lawfully *held* to labor did not look to such rendering up until *after* the fact whether a person so charged *is lawfully held* to service or not, has been settled by competent authority. The existing Fugitive Slave Law catches up the man and sends him into Slavery upon the mere *charge*, and without the proof which he believed the Constitution looked to as a preliminary of that act. He did not consider the Fugitive Slave Law Constitutional, but rather a parody on that sacred instrument; and so believing, it would be perjury in him or those who believe with him, to assent to such violation of the Constitution as support of the Fugitive Slave Law would involve.

Mr. JONES asked Mr. HALE whether he thought it right to assist a slave who was escaping from his master. In answer, the latter reminded his questioner of a conversation he had with him at the National Hotel, in this city, some time since, in which JONES asked him the same question. On that occasion Mr. HALE answered in the affirmative, and then asked Mr. JONES in turn whether he doubted the moral right of every man to escape from bondage if he could? To this Mr. J. replied, that he was not prepared to dispute that right. Of course, if he admits the moral right of a negro to run away, he must concede the morality of aiding him in the enterprise; for one man certainly has the right to help another to do anything which it is moral for the latter to do.

Mr. HARLAN, of Iowa, also brought up the Tennessee gladiator with a round turn. Mr. JONES read from a speech of HENRY CLAY'S, to show that he repudiated the power of Congress to legislate in any case on the subject of Slavery. That, he said, was authority enough for him. He was ready to abide by the opinion of the great statesman of Kentucky, now no more. Mr. HARLAN immediately took up the *Congressional Globe*, and called attention to the fact that the remarks of Mr. CLAY, just cited, were made with reference to the power of Congress in the *States*, and that a little further on he expressly admitted the power of Congress over the subject in the Territories. Just then Mr. JONES found that HENRY CLAY'S opinions were rather more than "enough" for him.

DR. KANE'S WORK.

The Senate to-day refused concurrence in the House resolution purchasing 10,000 copies of Dr. E. K. KANE'S work on the Arctic Expedition. Instead of this token of appreciation of the Doctor's eminent services, they voted medals to himself and associates. This compliment will doubtless be appreciated; but the intrepid navigator would much prefer that Congress should take measures to place his book and its valuable information in every public library in the land. I learn, however, that the work—which was spoken of in the highest terms by the best men in the Senate—has already obtained a very large circulation. The enterprising publishers, I understand, are now getting out Col. FREMONT'S works in the same style. These latter, I believe, contain a recently-written account of the Colonel's first explorations, and the only complete account ever published of his last and most interesting adventures on the great plains and in the Rocky Mountains. S.

XXXIVth Congress.....Second Session

SENATE....WASHINGTON, Friday, Dec. 19.

DEBATE ON THE MESSAGE.

Mr. WILSON proceeded to speak on the leading questions of the day. He commenced by quoting the remarks of DANIEL WEBSTER in eulogy of the Ordinance of 1787, to the effect that those who passed that measure were deserving of more honor than SOLON or LYCURGUS and the legislators of antiquity. That tribute of justice to the great work of the old Congress of the Confederation, brought upon him and his section of the Union the charge of making an onset upon the South, and interfering with her domestic institutions so as to endanger the relation which exists between the master and the slave. Gen. HAYNE, his distinguished opponent, who then fought the first great battle of nullification under the eye of Mr. CALHOUN, who presided over the Senate, brought these accusations into the Senate, and hurled them against Mr. WEBSTER and the people of the North. Mr. WEBSTER met these accusations and unjust reproaches toward his section of the Union, with a prompt and emphatic denial. In his reply to HAYNE, the great expounder of the Constitution said it had been the policy of the South for many years, to represent the people of the North as disposed to interfere with their internal and exclusively domestic concerns, and went on to deny the truth of the charge. So he, (WILSON,) standing now as the representative of Massachusetts on the floor of the Senate, as WEBSTER stood then, could say, as he said that all these charges are utterly groundless. No attempt has ever been made from the time when WASHINGTON first took the oath of office to interfere with the constitutional rights of the people of the Southern States. Mr. WILSON commented upon the language of the President's Message as applied to the Republican Party, and said that the charge that they were engaged in a revolutionary movement which could only lead to civil war, was full of partisan malignity. There was no truth or justice in it. Mr. PIERCE came into power almost unanimously, but would go out with the bitter hatred of thousands of men who voted for him. Like one of the early Dutch Governors of New-York, he came in with very little opposition and would go out without any opposition at all. [Laughter.] Mr. WILSON expressed his surprise that Mr. PUGH should have invented such an excuse for the Chief Magistrate, as to say his language did not apply to the Republican Party, but to Abolitionists of the Garrison school. That would not do. The President intended to arraign those in Congress who differ from him. Mr. WILSON then showed in what respect the Republican Party differ from the ultra-Abolitionists. The latter desire to effect the abolition of Slavery in the Southern States by means of the Government, but the Republicans, while they would gladly see Slavery abolished all over the world, do not claim the power to interfere with the institution in the Southern States. He (WILSON) had traveled over 20,000 miles throughout the Free States, during the late campaign, and had never heard a man say a word against Slavery in the States. The Republicans are a State rights party, and had laid down in their platform the doctrine—the rights of the States shall be preserved. He alluded to the fact that the Empire Club of New-York, representing the Democracy of the *Five Points*, had turned out in procession in honor of their victory in Pennsylvania, in October, with a transparency representing the scourging of three black men, and headed "Bleeding Kansas." He thought that was the depth of degradation, but it had been exceeded here in the metropolis of the nation and under the eye of the Executive. A procession had lately passed through the streets of Washington, headed by a Government official, bearing a transparency inscribed "SUMNER and Kansas, let them bleed." He stated that more money and clothing had been contributed for Kansas since the election than before, and if anything could be done lawfully to save Kansas to Freedom, it should be done in spite of the efforts of this Administration to prevent it, or whatever the incoming Administration might do. There were hundreds of thousands of men in the South who sympathised with the Republicans, but who had no opportunity to express their sentiments at the ballot-box. In this connection he alluded to Professor HEDRICK, who was removed from the University of North Carolina because of his devotion to Freedom.

Mr. PUGH inquired whether persons in Massachusetts had not been removed on account of their political opinions, and referred particularly to Mr. LORING, U. S. Commissioner in Massachusetts to execute the Fugitive Slave Law, and asked how he (WILSON) justified Massachusetts.

Mr. WILSON did not believe that was a parallel case. We, he said, believe the Fugitive Slave Law to be unconstitutional, inhuman, and unchristian. Professor HEDRICK had performed a service to liberty and was crushed by the South. Mr. LORING performed a service for Slavery, and we crushed him. He (WILSON) did not consider the vote for Mr. BUCHANAN as an indorsement of the Kansas bill, as great frauds were *perpetrated in the Northern States on that question.* The doctrine of Mr. CASS on Squatter Sovereignty, which is repudiated by the South, was preached at the North, and served to delude and cheat the people. The Democratic member's head is in the *South and the tail in the North, and iron heels are on* the tail. Northern Democracy amounts to nothing. The Democratic power is in the South. Those of that section who say they want peace can have it, but not while they seek to extend Slavery over free territory. The Republicans will insist that Kansas shall be admitted as a free State, but when it is asked whether they will vote for the admission of Kansas as a Slave State, they, in the language of CALEB CUSHING, emphatically answer "No." They stand where WASHINGTON, JEFFERSON, MADISON and HENRY stood. They will prohibit Slavery in all territory, but do not claim nor will they usurp the power, by Congressional legislation or otherwise, to disturb or interfere with Southern rights. They will leave the matter where the Constitution left it.

Mr. BROWN obtained the floor, when the Senate adjourned to Monday.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WASHINGTON, Friday, Dec. 19.

TERRITORIAL BUSINESS, ETC.

Three days, commencing from the third Tuesday in January, were set apart for the consideration of Territorial business. The bill which passed the Senate at the first session authorising the people of Kansas to form a constitution and State Government, preparatory to their admission into the Union, on an equal footing with the original States, was referred to the Committee on Territories. The other Senate bills lying over from the first session were referred to the Appropriate Committees, including many relative to harbor and river improvements.

After some time spent in the consideration of the private calendar the House adjourned.

The United States Supreme Court.

WASHINGTON, Friday, Dec. 19.

The arguments in the Dred Scott case were concluded yesterday. The Court takes time for deliberation, and the decision will not be made for several weeks—probably not until the end of the term.

Case No. 212. The Washington, Alexandria and Georgetown Steam Packet Company, plaintiffs, *vs.* Frederick E. Sickles, et al.—Writ of error docketed and dismissed, with costs.

Ex parte—David A. Secombe. Motion for rule on Judges Supreme Court, Minnesota, to show cause, &c., argued by Mr. Badger in support thereof.

Case No. 25. James Meegan, plaintiff, *vs.* Jeremiah T. Boyle.—Argument commenced by Mr. Geyer, for plaintiff; continued by Mr. Williams, for defendant. Adjourned till Monday.

Items by the Southern Mail.

BALTIMORE, Friday, Dec. 19.

We have no mail this morning south of Mobile, making two New-Orleans mails due.

The rumor of slave insurrections in Florida is positively denied.

The Jewish Synagogue at Mobile was destroyed by fire on the 11th instant.

A card from Hon. A. H. STEVENS appears in the Augusta *Constitutionalist*, in which he posts Mr. H. HILL for cowardice, in declining a challenge.

New-Hampshire Congressional Nomination.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Friday, Dec. 19.

The Democrats of the Second Congressional District of this State have nominated Hon. George W. MORRISON, of this city, for Congress.

State Temperance Convention at Albany.

DISCUSSION ON THE DECISION OF THE COURT OF APPEALS—ELECTION OF OFFICERS—ADJOURNMENT.

ALBANY, Friday, Dec. 19.

The proceedings of the Convention last evening and this morning were marked by excited discussion.

During the debate Mr. McCOY stated that three Judges of the Court of Appeals, two of them anti-prohibitionists, had informed him that the public were mistaken in the impression that the decision of the Court was adverse to the constitutionality of the prohibition of the sale of liquor on hand at the time of the passage of the law, and that a majority of the Judges did not so decide.

Mr. WESLEY BAILEY took ground against this, holding that the majority had so decided, and quoting votes of the reports of the Court of Appeals in proof.

Mr. BARTLETT introduced a resolution reflecting on the motives of the Judges of the Court of Appeals.

This was opposed by Messrs. WILDER, DELAVAN and others.

In the course of the discussion Mr. C. C. LEIGH, of New-York, charged Mr. WILDER with being opposed to the election of BRADFORD R. WOOD for Judge.

Mr. WILDER denied distinctly the charge, which he said had been made before by the *Tribune*, but was entirely unfounded.

Dr. MARSH introduced a substitute as follows:

Resolved, That as the citizens of the State of New-York cannot sit down quietly under the decision of the Court of Appeals, they will never relax their efforts until they gain protection, by prohibition, from that vast amount of intemperance, pauperism and crime, now the fruit of traffic in intoxicating liquors as a beverage, and that as such protection is our right we firmly require it as one of the earliest acts of the next Legislature.

This resolution was adopted.

Mr. WILDER then read a letter addressed to the Nominating Committee by President DELAVAN, stating that he had been urged to allow his name to go before the Nominating Committee, but that he had reflected deeply on the subject, and under no circumstances could he accept of a reappointment. He would gladly coöperate with his successor in all matters for the benefit of the Society.

The following resolutions were then adopted:

Resolved, That the Society declares anew its purpose to ally itself to no one political party, or array itself against any, but to labor among all parties to secure temperance; requesting the Committee on the World's Temperance Convention, to call such Convention as soon as possible, and to take the necessary steps to secure the attendance of representatives from all parts of the world; expressing regret at the announcement of the resignation of the President of the Society, and the confidence of temperance men throughout the State in him; pledging him that they would help in sustaining the expenses of the Society, if he would accept of a renomination; resolving to raise during the coming year not less than $25,000 for the purpose of prosecuting the cause with vigor; leaving the question of petitioning the Legislature with the Executive Committee, and authorizing them, if deemed necessary, to circulate a uniform petition throughout the State.

The report on officers was then read as follows:

For President—E. C. DELAVAN.

Vice-Presidents—Hon. R. H. Walworth, of Saratoga; John Miller, of Cortland; David Wright, of Cayuga; John J. Knox, of Oneida; Geo. Hall, of Brooklyn; J. D. Sawyer, of Norwich; Jesse Ketchum, of Buffalo; Charles Bartlett, of Poughkeepsie.

Executive Committee—Edmund Ettinge, of New-Paltz; Herman Camp, of Tompkins; Benj. Joy, of Ludlowville; C. P. Williams, of Albany; Chairman, E. D. Durant and Rev. Mr. Seelye, of Albany.

The President, Mr. DELAVAN, expressed his *sense of the kindness of the Convention in thus tendering* him a renomination. He had earnestly desired to re*tire from a responsible and arduous position, and had* fully made up his mind to do so, but, it being urged by his friends that his resignation now would cause injury to the Temperance cause throughout the State, on this consideration, he consented to retain the office six months longer. In so doing he should look upon Albany County for $2,000 of the old debt, and if it could not be collected he would pay it himself. After an effort to procure subscriptions from members to liquidate the debt the Convention adjourned *sine die.*

Later from Kansas.

ST. LOUIS, Thursday, Dec. 18.

F. HOAGLAND, United States Commissioner in Kansas, has arrived in this city on his way to Washington. He left Lecompton on the 9th inst.

He reports affairs quiet in the Territory, and that Gov. GEARY'S present policy elicits general commendation.

A band of robbers who had been committing depredations in the neighborhood of Bull Creek, had been dispersed.

Dr. GIHON, Gov. GEARY'S private Secretary, had been seriously injured by the upsetting of a stage coach.

The steamer *Australia* had grounded on a bar above Kansas. The *Aubry* was frozen in at Liberty Landing.—*Phil. Eve. Bulletin.*

Non-Arrival of the America.

HALIFAX, Friday, Dec. 19—10 P. M.

There are as yet no signs of the steamship America, now in her fourteenth day out from Liverpool.

[The Telegraph lines were held open until 1 o'clock *this morning, but up to that time nothing had been* heard of the *America*.]

Weather Reports.

MONTREAL, Friday, Dec. 19.

It has been excessively cold here for the last few days. The Thermometer, yesterday morning, 20° below zero; to-day 16°. At Quebec, yesterday, 22° below zero; to-day 30°. A woman was frozen to death in coming from the country this morning. The river opposite Montreal is full of drifting ice.

HALIFAX, Friday, Dec. 19.

Eight A. M., clear, Thermometer 8° above; Sackville, 10° below; St. John, 10° below; Woodstock, 10° below.

PHILADELPHIA, Friday, Dec. 19.

The thermometer at 7 A. M. was 15°, and at noon 27° above zero.

The Ohio and Mississippi Railroad Case.

CHICAGO, Friday, Dec. 19.

The Supreme Court of Missouri have reversed and remanded the case of the City of St. Louis against J. H. ALEXANDER; better known as the Ohio and Mississippi Railroad Injunction Case.

Disaster on Lake Ontario.

OSWEGO, Friday, Dec. 19.

The schooner *Cornelia*, from Cleveland to Toronto, with freestone and corn, was driven ashore near Toronto in the late gale. The crew were forced into the rigging and finally swam ashore. Vessel and cargo a total loss.

U. S. Receiving-ship Union sunk by Ice at Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, *Friday, Dec. 19.*

The U. S. receiving-ship *Union*, which was anchored in front of the Navy-Yard, was cut into by the ice and sunk this morning. Her crew and stores were saved and put on board the sloop-of-war *Preble*. The *Union*, it is supposed, will prove a total loss.

Marine Disasters.

HYANNIS, Friday, Dec. 19.

Coleman's Express reports that the steamer *Island Home*, from Nantucket, passed in the Sound this morning, a large lumber-loaded schooner, ice bound, and in want of a pilot. She had a flag in her rigging. Also passed a propeller, three-masted, and with yellow houses on deck. At anchor.

BOSTON, Friday, Dec. 19.

The brig *Mary*, from St. Johns, N. B., for New-York, is at anchor off Truro, with the loss of her foreyard-sails, &c., and leaking one hundred strokes per hour.

The Baltic Outward Bound.

PHILADELPHIA, Friday, Dec. 19.

The captain of the steamer *City of Baltimore* reports that he saw the Collins steamer *Baltic* at 9 o'clock on the morning of Thursday, the 4th of December, off Mizin Head, bound from New-York to Liverpool.

The Arabia Outward Bound.

HALIFAX, Friday, Dec. 19.

The steamship *Arabia* arrived at her dock here at noon to-day. She was off the Harbor last night, but was detained outside by a dense fog, arising from the snow. She sailed hence for Liverpool at 2 P. M., with a light southwest wind and clear weather.

Trial of Charles B. Huntingdon for Forgery.

Close of the Testimony for the Prosecution.

REMARKABLE OPENING FOR THE DEFENCE.

NOVEL THEORY.

ANOTHER MONOMANIA DISCOVERED.

Singular Testimony of Huntingdon's Father.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

THIRD DAY—FRIDAY, Dec. 19.

Huntingdon's trial was resumed to-day, before an attentive audience.

The absence of any great excitement during the progress of the case thus far, and the comparatively brief period within which the whole evidence for the prosecution was compressed, had induced a very general belief that the trial would pass quietly and stupidly to its close. The illusion was dispelled, however, when this morning the junior counsel for the defendant proceeded to open his case and propound the theory on which an acquittal was to be sought for at the hands of the jury. The assemblage was electrified; and as the idea of the defence assumed shape and consistency, the astonishment burst through the doors, spread all round the park, gathering strength as it expanded, until finally it assumed the full-blown proportions of a positive assertion that Huntingdon had been declared "Not guilty" on the ground of insanity.

The District-Attorney proceeded with the case against the prisoner by calling as a witness

Peter K. Knapp, who was examined by Mr. Noyes: My business, he said, on the 4th of March last was the dry goods and commission trade; my place was at Nos. 43 and 45 Broad-street; don't know of any person of my name being at that time in the City; don't know of any one of my name anywhere else; (note produced;) that is not my signature; never authorized anybody to sign it for me; have seen it before; Officer Bowyer brought me several notes purporting to have been drawn by me, and several of them to have been indorsed by me; this was one of them; that was about the 16th October; that was the first time I saw it; the indorsement is not my handwriting; think I first saw Huntingdon about six years ago; never had any transactions of business with him; never authorized him to dispose of any notes for me or anything of that kind.

Cross-examined by Mr. Brady—I cannot recognize that as the handwriting of any person with whom I am acquainted; don't think it resembles mine; the P is made something similar to mine, but that is the only letter that is; have no idea that a person at all acquainted with my handwriting would be for a moment deceived by that.

To Mr. Noyes—I have not had any individual note out in the last five years.

Mr. Hall then read in evidence the five notes of Phelps, Dodge & Co., Bliss, Briggs & Co., T. W. [illegible] & Co., J. W. Kingsley, with Graydon, [illegible] & Co.'s acceptance, and Peter K. Knapp, respectively, amounting in all to $37,490 95. He also read the three checks of Hoffman & Leonards, Harbeck & Co., and Huntingdon, for $21,000 each, and the envelopes and memoranda to Berry, the direction in one of the latter being, "Get a nicer note than the last." That then, he announced, ended their case, (for the prosecution,) without any other reservation.

THE DEFENCE.

Mr. Jno. A. Bryan, the junior counsel for the prisoner, then rose and opened the case to the Jury.

He said: The learned District-Attorney, in his opening, has invested this case with a certain commercial importance; but, gentlemen, we think you will agree with us, before this case is determined, that it is entitled to be dignified with no such importance. You will find that it is nothing more or less than a transaction between brokers—transactions commencing like a year ago and culminating into a grand crash, where no one suffers except the brokers who have been engaged in it. Thus far there is no proof whatever that any of the commercial houses whose names are said to have been forged here, has been defrauded; so far as it appears there has been no likelihood of their being defrauded or injured.

Their case, they said, was a very simple one; and, *with all its simplicity, gentlemen*, it has occupied two whole days and part of another for them to present it. There is one noticeable feature about this prosecution which I would like to call to your minds—that is, the rigor with which they seem disposed to press it. Much was said about the atrociousness of the crime of forgery. So far as that is concerned, we fully agree with him. But, gentlemen, it is not on account of the atrociousness of this crime, as a crime, that they are induced thus fiercely to press a conviction upon this defendant. There are other reasons behind this prosecution, which will be developed to you in due course. This rigor was exemplified in the first instance by the passing over of what we have called the Belden indictment, and the taking up of this indictment, which alleges the intent to defraud Harbeck. If the learned District-Attorney had been left entirely to himself, there would have been no difficulty whatever, no misunderstanding whatever on this head. It was a matter of total indifference to him whether this defendant was tried upon the Belden indictment or Harbeck indictment; but, gentlemen, the interests of Mr. Belden, of Mr. Harbeck, and not the interests of the people, are represented by the learned gentlemen who are associated with the District-Attorney. They are here to protect the interests of those men, and they are here to fulfill the wants of those men who, as we shall show you before this trial closes, have threatened to have this defendant convicted at every hazard, at whatever cost in money or conscience. The case as already developed, is precisely the case *which we ourselves would have proven in support of* the theory of our defence, with some trifling exceptions. Without mentioning what that theory is, at the present time, it is proper that I should state to you the embarrassments under which the counsel for *the accused have labored, because the accused has* objected to the prosecution of that theory of defence. No longer ago than yesterday he interposed his objections with such a zeal that if the case had been called on to be opened for the Defence yesterday afternoon, *our embarrassments would have been exceedingly in*creased. The counsel were put in this peculiar position: either of setting aside the wish of their client, and standing up in Court and advocating what he (the client) himself objected, or of quietly withdrawing from the case, or of quietly permitting the trial to stop where it was and allow it to go to the Jury with but very little additional evidence. Under these embarrassing circumstances, and knowing as we did that the accused was not deserted by his kindred, knowing as we did that in a house in this City last evening was assembled a number of his relatives and friends who had his interests dearly at heart, we deemed it expedient to present the case fully to them and be advised and governed by them; and if they were willing that this defence should be presented, notwithstanding the wish of the accused, we would feel it our duty to present it. They are willing. They dread the consequences, but they are willing. And, gentlemen, we proclaim now that counsel never stood up in a Court of Justice and advocated a defence with more sincerity, and with a deeper conviction that it was right.

Before proceeding with the narrative we will state that the features of this case will develop absurdities which tower up into the sublime. A history of the parentage of the defendant and of his early life, and of his entrance into and career in New-York, will become necessary, and in giving that history as many of the details will be omitted as the peculiar nature of the case will justify.

Charles B. Huntingdon was born in Geneva, in this State, in the year 1822, of very respectable parentage. *He can trace his lineage to the Pilgrim fathers.* His father, Israel Huntingdon, was for many years engaged to a considerable extent in the manufacture of cabinet furniture. He received a good common school education, and was reared under the influence and *moral training of intelligent and pious parents.* He was a regular and zealous attendant of Sunday Schools, and became so familiar with the Scriptures and its teachings that it was noticed with pride by his relatives and friends, and there was in him what appeared to promise a moral and useful life. On inquiry into his history, we learn, however, that in early childhood there was observed in his composition strange and inconsistent elements of error; and when brought under the strict discipline of his stern but loving father, he quietly submitted to the severe corporeal punishment which was frequently inflicted upon him, and which, it must be confessed, he seemed to deserve, with the resignation of a martyr, without murmuring, with no show of resistance or defiance; but these rigorous chastisements proved unavailing, and were not salutary in their effects; for without appearing to remember the whippings, and with apparent want of appreciation of the consequences of mischief, he again and again repeated and persisted in his erratic ways. He had a *penchant* for destroying property, which was guided by no adequate motive, and which was susceptible of no reasonable explanation. An irresistible longing to know the contents or composition of a toy or other curious thing was certain destruction to it in childhood; and this *penchant* for destruction, merely to gratify an absurd and morbid curiosity or a whim, has followed him through life. He has cut into a valuable rosewood piano to discover whether it was made solid of that expensive material, or whether it was simply veneered; he has dissected watches and musical boxes, however delicate or expensive the mechanism, and has as often put them beyond the reach of repairs. He has been industrious in this work of petty destruction, and in childhood, in boyhood, and in maturer years, he has been a marvel to his acquaintances. We shall see in due time, what this singular error of his mind ripened into, and into what varied forms it has from time to time developed itself. In some instances the narrative must lift the veil and bring in glaring daylight, many painful and distressing occurrences, which

...[illegible] gladly shut out from the view, and save them from the [illegible] of [illegible]; but the circumstances attending the termination of this remarkable career of this unfortunate and deluded man render necessary an unreserved and complete exposure, to the end that you may judge of his actions in a true light and with [illegible]. In the year 1838, and at the age of twenty-one years, he left his native place, and came to this great City, where, as you all know too well, crime and error and misery of all kinds, not only shelter in by-ways and in dark and mysterious hiding-places, but stalk in broad day in the open streets, and inhabit and grow and thrive in public places. He had learned a little something of his father's calling, and beyond this he had no knowledge of business. After waiting a few months he found employment as a clerk in the furniture establishment of one William W. Humphreys, in Chatham-street, where he remained till December, 1843. He then formed a copartnership with one Linsey, a foreman in Mr. Humphreys' establishment, and the firm of Huntingdon and Linsey, with a small capital, (some of which Huntingdon borrowed from an uncle who lived in Alabama,) opened a store for the sale of furniture in Hudson-street, and there they remained until June, 1847, when they failed, and made a general assignment for the benefit of creditors to the very respectable firm of J. & S. Randel, to whom they were indebted, and who went and closed up the concern. [illegible] you may not be surprised to learn, [illegible] the assets paying, I believe, only ten cents on each dollar of their indebtedness. Here we find him left with several thousand dollars of indebtedness to carry and to discharge before he could reasonably hope to enter upon another business undertaking. It was a severe lesson to him, and he went home to reflect. His father had then removed to Syracuse, where he has been engaged for [illegible], with other competent members of his [illegible], conducting a seminary of learning for young ladies. He made a visit there of several months, and, again returning to this fatal field of his operations, he imagined that Wall-street would furnish him with an opening, which in one way and another has proved true. He turned broker. We have now traced him into Wall-street. He had a sign painted on a piece of tin, sometimes called a shingle, and hung it up in the window of some basement down there, which was also occupied by some one else, who had sub-let to him a dark room in the rear. He had no capital—no experience—no friends—no [illegible]—literally nothing which might be said to constitute a stock in trade for successful scheming, speculating and operating in any of the characteristic ways, or by any of the characteristic methods peculiar to that atmosphere. But into Wall-street he went, and he became a broker in no one thing in particular, but a broker generally. There I see him now, a very young man—I might say a lad of 24—sitting at his little desk scribbling, and idly waiting—for what? May be to expect that some philanthropic gentleman would come in and load him down with bullion and ask no questions, or may be he was struggling in the "slough of despond," and was debating whether to retreat. It is not at all unlikely that he did think of retreating before his fading hopes; but the sequel shows that the overshadowing tower of Trinity Church must have chimed the alluring music in his ears of—

Turn again, Whittington,
Lord Mayor of London,

—and with confused recollections of the Whittington of nursery recollection, and amid a confounding of localities, he turned like Whittington, and like Whittington, he hoped to reign. Be this as it may, I shall be unable to inform you of the precise thoughts in which he indulged on this particular occasion, when sitting at his little desk; but I think I am prepared to state [illegible] that they were gloomy, for not long afterwards he was engaged in two very solemn enterprises—one was to provide a place suitable to the wants of the people of Baltimore for the burial of their dead, and the other was to provide a similar place for the like purpose to accommodate the deceased [illegible]. In the first of these enterprises he convinced some friends it was prudent for them to embark their means. The result was, that the project failed, and his friends were nearly ruined. The other was proposed on the heel of the failure of the first, and he failed in that also. And subsequently to this he still clung to his favorite idea by having a hand in a monster cemetery nearer home—in New-Jersey, for instance—which from that time languished, and languishing did live, until some year or two ago, when from its languishing it died, and was buried, with all its dead, into the bowels of a new company, which he also touched, and it now languishes [illegible]. Now, here we take our ground, and we turn to the prosecution and their witnesses, and we ask them to place their hands upon their hearts and say whether they know of a single enterprise of Charles B. Huntingdon's projection, or a single operation of his negotiating, or, in fact, a single business transaction of his, wherein he really exhibited what may properly be called shrewdness. We challenge them to name and bring to the test a single instance where he has shown anything like good business capacity. [illegible] this want of capacity, this lack of shrewdness, may not have been readily discoverable contemporaneously with his transactions, (for he had an easy, pleasant, quiet, plausible, winning way with him, which was well calculated to lull inquiry,) but upon investigation they have turned out, and upon investigation before-hand might, in nearly every instance, have appeared, as they really were, crude, crooked and fallacious—in reality no more nor less than the workings and results of a morbidly-erratic intellect. And we go still further, and we say that we do not believe that Charles B. Huntingdon ever had a regular legitimate business transaction with any one in his life, unless he acted under the advice, by the direction or with the aid of some other competent person. His schemes would all have exploded on the instant, had it not been for the interposition of other persons; and even with the aid of others, we have never heard of his succeeding in an affair of importance in a single instance, unless it was by mere chance or accident. We might name several other very wonderful schemes of his, which involved large expenditures and consequences proportionately disastrous to those who became directly and indirectly interested with him; but it would tire you if we went into detailed explanations of their origin and fate, or if we should endeavor to bring to your notice the half of them. We have only time, in this connection, to allude to a few of them. There was a steam-laundry on the Isthmus of Panama, to wash the dirty linen of emigrants to and from California. Several thousands were expended in this enterprise, and the whole concern speedily went to rust and total ruin. He had figured out his receipts at an average of $500 per day, but it turned out that that was about the average of the losses of this concern. Next we find him erecting upon the ruins of this private speculation a stock company called "——," and we find him issuing certificates of stock, a specimen of which I now hold in my hand; but this was so stupid upon its very face, that I believe he never found any one credulous enough to entertain it for a moment.

Next we have a bank which he created and called the Farmers' and Merchants' Bank of Georgetown, directly under the eye of the President of the United States, and all the other dignitaries, domestic and foreign, at Washington assembled. I will venture to say that all obstacles in the way of successful banking were never more easily surmounted. Without troubling himself about mortgages on lands where "the wild fox pursues his way unscared," or about any other such suitable banking basis, he at once ordered bills to be struck off, and filled them up; signed them with the names of two of his relatives as President and Cashier, and for a time spent them freely, until a screw became loose in his facilities of redemption, and he was arrested and indicted under the administration of the lamented Blunt and his then assistant, who is now the learned District-Attorney here present. The noble-hearted Blunt saw Huntingdon, and after a while became impressed with the absurdity of the whole thing, and so convinced of an absence of real intent to defraud, that he finally placed the paper (with the sanction of the Court, undoubtedly,) into that mysterious pigeon-hole, which now and then mercifully catches a stray indictment. A case sometimes occurs where the Court doubts the propriety of a conviction, or an acquittal, or even of a nolle prosequi, but prefers by a kind of grace, and through a well-tempered mercy, to let the charge remain in terrorem merely. A few years' experience in a public prosecutor's office has taught me that the exercise of a sound discretion in these matters is the only sure road to the fulfillment of that time-honored maxim, "Justice should be tempered with mercy." The community were apprised of this affair by flaming accounts of this ridiculous banking operation; and one would suppose that the Wall-street gentry had had enough of Mr. Huntingdon. Poor Blunt never dreamed that he would resume business again here; for there stood the indictment, and there stood the culprit with a ruined character and blasted reputation. But he did resume, and went on again, feeling in the simplicity of his own heart and amid the confusion of his own deluded mind, that he had done nothing wrong. For your better enlightenment, I now present you with one of the bills of this famous institution. You will perceive that the filling up and names are all in one handwriting. Next he went to the State of Maine to get a charter of a bank from the Legislature, then in session. He had a vague impression that his late financial undertaking was not precisely regular, and now he purposed to legalize a bank which should possess the same easy virtue which characterized the other. He found the assembled wisdom there opposed to granting bank charters, but were very lavish of favors in the way of granting manufacturing charters. It then occurred to him, that he might get a bill passed ostensibly for such purposes, but with a section engrafted upon it giving him banking privileges. He drew up such a bill himself and procured its passage, (although he was an entire stranger among them,) and fixed upon a site for his banking operations, under the charter, at Lewiston Falls, upon the Little Androscoggin River, which euphonious title was given to the act of incorporation. He brought an authenticated copy of this remarkable charter back with him to Wall-street; friends were enlisted and advanced their means readily for the purpose of putting the Little Androscoggin Company on a firm footing. It created a sensation, and was coveted by many who knew of it. Bank bills were engraved, certificates of stock were prepared and ready to be issued; but, alas! his sublunary hopes were doomed. The Boston banks associated together, declared it to be the scheme of a madman, and went to the Legislature and had it repealed. It may be, before this trial is over, that we shall be able to present you with specimens of the bills and certificates of stock in this illustrious institution also. With the expiration of the Androscoggin, Huntingdon went down, and he was literally an object of charity among his friends. The very persons who had suffered by him were moved to pity, and he was assisted with small sums of money, from time to time; and in November, 1852, he was aided with sufficient to take him to California, and there he went; and after remaining there until the Spring of 1854, with but little success, he returned and found that his liabilities on account of his former Wall-street operations amounted to the handsome sum of about $150,000. It becomes my duty, gentlemen, to inform you in this connection, that the bulk of this large indebtedness grew out of a great variety of forgeries which he had committed on different occasions, under very similar circumstances to those under which he committed the series of forgeries for which he now stands charged upon the 37 indictments, on one of which he is now undergoing a trial, where not only his liberty is involved, but his life; for the punishment imposed by the statute under convictions on this number of charges would consign him to an imprisonment exceeding an ordinary life of three-score-and-ten years, and an imprisonment which his delicate constitution, and highly nervous and sensitive temperament could not withstand for a single year. In order to illustrate the theory of this defence, and to give you a clearer idea of the impulses which actuated and governed him in the commission of the forgeries with which he now stands charged, it becomes necessary that we should make known to you some of the leading features which characterized his previous acts of a similar nature. The instances were numerous, and the persons who suffered are many. As near as I have been able to discover, these illegitimate transactions were perpetrated upon those who are reputed to be shrewd business men, and some of them are very respectable and occupy positions of high social standing. We are not yet fully satisfied of the propriety of disclosing their names at this time, and we refrain from doing it for the present from motives of delicacy. Nevertheless, we shall be guided by circumstances, and shall not hesitate, provided the necessity arises, to ask them to overcome their reluctance, and give to this Court and to this Jury an explanation of his actions and his conduct in these affairs; and more especially would we invite them to explain how it was that, knowing his guilt, they forgave him and destroyed the evidences of it, and continued their intercourse and association with him upon friendly terms, such intercourse, in some instances, amounting to a brotherly intimacy. It is natural, very natural, that they should hesitate to acknowledge a fellowship with crime. But knowing what I know, and seeing what I have seen latterly of this man's career, and comprehending what I have discovered during the short period which has been allotted me for investigation, I perceive naught that is very singular or strange in this seemingly anomalous and mysterious conduct on their part. If any of them should be within the sound of my voice I earnestly beseech of them to ponder well what I utter in this connection; and to step forward fearlessly and like men, should they be called. I put it to them whether, when they discovered their losses and followed up their discoveries by demands of explanation from this strange being, they were not impressed with doubts which finally ripened into a deep-seated conviction, that Charles B. Huntingdon, in fact and in truth, had not intended maliciously and wilfully to injure or defraud; nay, more, that he had no adequate motive to commit the crimes, in the sight of which they at first stood appalled. Struck with these impressions, I doubt not they exclaimed, in the language of one of the witnesses whom it will be our privilege to present to you, "The man must be crazy." But it is quite probable they meant such expression merely in a conventional, and not in a legal sense. In this category I think we may safely place the late prosecuting Attorney, to whom I have before alluded. When you shall come to know all, gentlemen, you will find in the conduct of these men a key to unlock the hidden recesses in the heart and mind of this defendant. You will find that he was not a mercenary forger, and you will find that the *animo furandi*, as the lawyers express it, was no more an element of these offences, than we find in the lad who covets and partakes over a garden wall some tempting fruit which does not belong to him. I will not undertake to find an excuse for either this man or that boy, but the law looks for motive in proportioning to the fault the punishment which it merits. And we declare that guilty motive was equally void in both of them. Let us proceed with our narrative. On his return from California, in the Spring of 1854, his old friends who had suffered by him in the manner I have before stated, and who held the bulk of these one hundred and forty thousand dollars of claims against him, found in him the same childlike simplicity, the same easy, pleasant, quiet, plausible, winning ways; and they unhesitatingly held out to him an open hand. He seemed to have no recollection of having injured them, and he went to them for countenance and aid, the same as if they owed him debts of gratitude for past benefits and favors. He obtained from them a full and complete release and discharge from all their claims, and nearly, if not all of his other creditors, in the course of things did the same, so that before the time that he commenced the series of forgeries with which he now stands charged, he stood erect, entirely freed from debt. Before this end was accomplished, however, there were certain of his creditors who pursued, oppressed, harrassed and goaded him almost to desperation, and almost to his self-destruction. Let us now retrace our steps and follow him up to this time in his social relations. In the year 1849, while in the flush of a little prosperity he married a highly respectable lady, from Connecticut, and she has spent with him, and she has had, you may be assured, many varied and painful experiences in her matrimonial life. But with all his failings and misfortunes, and with all her anguish and sufferings on account of them, and accompanied, withal, by poor health, and possessed of a cultivated mind, a sensitive heart and high moral sentiments, she was more than ordinarily keenly alive to the unfortunate and distressing circumstances by which she was so frequently surrounded. Like a true woman, to him she clung fast. Yet it is but justice to her to say she was never aware of any of his forgeries until the time of his late arrest. She did know, however, of his indictment in the Bank affair, and, distressing as that was, the wounds it inflicted were healed by kind and plausible explanations, which were made to her by compassionate and considerate friends. They now have two children living, and the misfortunes of the family have been in a measure ameliorated by the warmth of his affection. He was a loving husband and father, as will be shown in all cases, and uniformly amiable, except when he labors under the influence of what may be called his malady. For his devoted wife he would have laid down his life. It was his love for her which made him halt in many of his resolutions of self-destruction, and which made him once cunningly devise a plan for defrauding a Life Insurance Company by insuring his life for her benefit, and then destroying himself in such a way that the hand of the suicide could not be discovered to avoid the policy. In the instance to which I now refer, he contemplated carrying out his design by jumping after one of the Ferry boats as it left the slip and thus drowning himself apparently by *accident*. Here was the ghastly cunning of a diseased mind, and when I mention the incident it carries with it its own commentary. He visited and corresponded with his aged father, whom he highly respected and filially loved: and, unlike a man steeped in crime, he was domestic in his habits, temperate in his mode of life, a stranger to the gaming table, amiable in his disposition, and benevolently active when he had the power of doing good. At times he sojourned at boarding houses and hotels in apartments of greater or less pretensions, and at times he kept house in dwellings and parts of dwellings, of greater or less proportions. The fickleness of his mind was the occasion of very frequent and ill-judged removals. At one time they would live in comfort and plenty, and at another would be reduced to penury and want. Then he would rise again to a seeming prosperity, and as quickly fall to a condition in glaring contrast with it.

From March to July, 1855, he occupied part of a house in Nineteenth-street, at the small rent of $300, and he there conceived the idea of returning to California, and proposed, before going, to provide his wife and family with an entire house somewhere, so that they could live as moderately as they chose during his absence, without the world's knowing it. This was upon the suggestion of his wife. In July he obtained and very plainly furnished a house in Thirty-ninth-street, at a very moderate rent. About this time he was taken sick, and remained so for a couple of months. He had previously had the Panama fever, and it is believed that that had something to do with his illness, but this illness was essentially aggravated by his mental anxieties, and the great depression of spirits under which he labored, on account of his embarrassments and disappointments.

At this time, and for a considerable period previously to it, he may be said to have sustained himself and family principally by the aid of his friends.

The first intimation his family had that prosperity was dawning out of this darkness, was that he became more cheerful. His wife went to visit some friends at a distance, and while she was gone he sold out his household in Thirty-ninth-street, and fitted up another very elegantly, and entirely disproportioned to what appeared to be his means, and had it ready as a great surprise to his wife on her return. And when she returned he took her into it and presented it to her with a kind of childish delight. Like a prudent, sensible woman, she was displeased and remonstrated with him for this extravagance. She told him he could not afford it, but he replied that he could, and explained this sudden attainment of luxurious ease, by saying that a Mr. Belden (of whom you will hear a great deal more anon,) had helped him into business; and he warmly congratulated her, and went through with a variety of silly antics on account of the joy which he felt in being able, like the Whittington of old, to dispense favors and make everybody about him happy. This was at No. 100 East Twenty-second-street, and one would suppose that all his longings could there be satisfied. But in the course of two or three months he hired upon a long lease and fitted up with imperial splendor another house in the same block with the design, we are told, of presenting it to a gentleman who had suffered heavily by some of those old forgeries, and this was done by way of showing his gratitude and appreciation of this gentleman's kindness in joining in the release which had put it in his power to resume operations and reach this wonderful, this certain, this real, this permanent prosperity. But the gift, from motives of delicacy, on the part of this individual, was nobly refused, and the defendant thereupon moved into it himself, and then gave away his other establishment, or threw it away, in some manner and for some purpose, or he left it at commons, or he had no object in reference to it, or he did or did not do something else, I cannot tell what, when, or how. My mind is confused on that subject, but some of the learned gentlemen on the other side have been pursuing their investigations in that quarter, and will, no doubt, undertake to make you believe that there was something wrong somewhere about that locality. I only know what they have intimated on this head, and their intimations have only gone the more to convince me that the peculiar theory of our defence which I am now presenting is the true one.

Gentlemen, you have already, in the course of this trial, been made acquainted somewhat of the defendant's style of living. His dwelling was more like a storehouse of costly wares than like the habitation of a prince. It was literally loaded down with the most costly furniture that the Sellers could produce, and with the most exquisite and wonderful mantel and elegant ornaments that the Tiffanys and the Haughwouts could import from all the ends of the earth, and with the most ingenious and expensive culinary articles and household contrivances that the Berrians kept for sale, and with the most gorgeous mirrors, the most elegant drapery and carpetings, and the richest of all things else which the most extravagant nabob and splendid spendthrift could possibly dream of getting, in good taste or in bad, to beautify and adorn his mansion. He had an immense iron safe filled with rich silver plate and some gold spoons. His wardrobe was unparalleled in quantity and fineness of material; his purchases of precious jewels and their settings were worthy of the Czar of all the Russias, and he gave them away indiscriminately with frightful prodigality. His horses and the equipages were abundant and glittering, and might be put in rivalry, for speed and show, with those that belong to royalty. He presented a splendid animal to one of his alleged victims, and he dispensed his favors broadcast. In other words, gentlemen, to be brief, his nursery-day dream was realized; the prophecying chimes of Trinity spoke truly; he had become a second Whittington, and there is such a similarity in the names, I might say he had become so to the very letter.

And whence came all this splendor? It came in part directly and in part through the agency of Chas. Belden—and when I speak of Charles Belden I also speak of Harbeck; for Belden is the older man, he is a kind of father to Harbeck; they occupy the same office, they are bound together by the closest ties of relationship and by the closest pecuniary ties, and when I speak of the character of Belden I strike through him and reach Harbeck—and it is fitting that you should be here informed that Charles Belden knew Charles B. Huntingdon through his entire career in Wall street. And we think we shall be able to show that Charles Belden knew that Charles B. Huntingdon had not only been connected with prior forgeries to a considerable extent, but also knew, or had reason to believe, that his penchant for the commission of that species of crime still clung to him, and that he was still engaged in its practice. It was Charles Belden who persuaded Huntingdon not to go to California the second time. It was Charles Belden who purposely, or unwittingly, I don't care which, held out to Huntingdon the temptation to commence and to follow up the commission of the series of forgeries with which he now stands charged. It was Charles Belden who whetted Huntingdon's diseased appetite for show and splendor, by invitations to dine in company with his wealthy acquaintances, and by familiarly patting him upon the shoulder, as a kind of pet, and smiling with approval upon his mad career of extravagance and prodigality. This Charles Belden, we believe we shall be able to show, knew that this poor being, who had no moneyed friends or pecuniary facilities so shortly before, had kept an account in the Bank of the Republic, with deposits for a period of only five months prior to his arrest, amounting in the aggregate, and upon the average to the enormous sum of over one million per month. Mark, a total of five millions in five months!!! And he knew too that Huntingdon kept very heavy accounts in several other Banks, and he either knew or might have known that Huntingdon had built up this large business, and was enabled to handle these unwieldy sums through the instrumentality of forged or fictitious securities, which, as near as we can ascertain by a tolerably accurate computation, based upon the frequent renewals of his loans on wide margins, must have reached during the year in which he followed these practices to the staggering amount of nearly twenty millions! Why, gentlemen, he persuaded Huntingdon to take into his employment, ostensibly as a clerk, but in reality as a spy over his conduct, a man named Barker, who was then one of Belden's attachés and is one of his relatives. We shall show you that the idea, that Charles Belden knew of these forgeries, is not so monstrous as the fact that he did. Here we take our stand and we sweepingly declare that he *did* know it. Huntingdon was so incautious that on a number of occasions he left forged commercial paper in the hands of Belden until it was past due, and Belden, knowing it to be forged, has brought it to Huntingdon to be paid, and it has been paid, and no questions asked or explanations made. The circumstance which led to Huntingdon's detection was purely accidental, and the discovery was made as much through want of caution on the part of Belden as on the part of Huntingdon.

I can hear you ask, and I can hear the prosecution argue,—how came Belden to be caught? How came Belden to be such a heavy loser? The answer is twofold. In the first place, he is notoriously known, and he is, in fact, the most notoriously inexorable, aggrandizing, grasping usurer among us. And he is equally as well known to be as gentlemanly, as accomplished, as scientific, as cunning, and as apparently decent, with it all, as any graduate in the school of money lenders ever known.

One hundred per cent. per annum is a rate with which he is familiar, and the defendant here has often paid him more than that, on what purported to be the very best securities. And, if Charles Belden is permitted to go on unchecked, I should not be surprised to learn of his holding out his hand for "eight per cent. per minute," which is a rate now and then jestingly alluded to in Wall-street, until it has become a by-word among the initiated there. Therefore, I say, in the first place, as an answer to your inquiry, that this usurer became as reckless in his gains as Huntingdon was reckless in his losses. He became blinded in his avariciousness and cupidity, and the evil day came upon him before he had perfected his preparations to meet it. In the second place, he supposed he had opened avenues of escape. Knowing that Huntingdon was meagerly supplied with moneyed friends and financial facilities, he took occasion, at an early day, to introduce and commend him, in lofty terms, to several banks, bankers, and money lenders, and he hoped to be able to strip from Huntingdon, out of the means which he should obtain in those quarters, not only sufficient to reimburse himself, but sufficient to choke his own capacious coffers. And it may be a satisfaction to these other heavy losers to know the great first cause to which they can trace and attribute their losses.

Gentlemen, let us look at the half million now remaining out of the twenty millions of the forged paper to which I have alluded. I wish I had it all here, that you might see it,—it would fill a basket of respectable size. He forged it, too, while occupying the identical chair which the great railroad forger, Robert Schuyler, occupied. We shall be able to show you that some of this paper bore fictitious names—that it bore the names of high and low, from the errand boy in his office, to his poor lawyers, and from them up to your merchant princes. To use the slang phrases of the Brokers, it ranged from "sore noses" up to "gilt edges." We shall show you that the signatures were written without any attempt at imitation. And that the whole of it was so bungled, and that there was such a similarity in the lithographic blanks used, that it is wonderful how any man of sense could credit them for an instant. We shall show you that he signed the names of firms with frequent inaccuracy—sometimes leaving out a name, sometimes putting in an extra name, and sometimes reversing the order of the names. We shall show you that in the course of his career of forgery he has frequently signed names himself when he might have obtained the genuine signatures by simply asking for them. We shall show you that he has raised moneys on forged securities at the usurious rate of sixty per cent. per annum, and even at greater rates, and has lent out such moneys himself at the rate of only eighteen per cent., and even at legal rates. We shall show you that he has raised moneys on forged paper at an enormous rate, and has purchased large amounts of genuine paper at nine per cent. per annum; and that the next day, or very soon after purchasing such genuine paper, he has, in some instances, sold it at a discount double that rate, when he might readily have sold it for the same rate at which he bought; and we shall show you that he raised moneys on forged paper at the like enormous rates, and after investing it in unsalable stocks and other securities at full prices, he at once borrowed moneys on such new securities at the same ruinous interest; and that during all these transactions he kept no books or entries from which the state of his affairs or the character or extent of his dealings could be ascertained with any approach to accuracy.

And we shall follow up this proof by showing you, that in some instances he used forgeries to obtain money on credit when no security would have been required for the loan or credit and none was asked; that he adopted no means to prevent persons interested from inquiring and ascertaining whether the paper placed by him in their hands was genuine or not; that he made no arrangement to escape or prevent his arrest if any of such forgeries were detected; that on the contrary his house and equipages and acquisitions of property were procured and adjusted with the design to remain permanently in the City or its neighborhood; that he kept at the time of his arrest three spans of valuable horses and had just finished a new stable in which he intended to keep them; that he purchased eight acres of land at Yonkers, near this City, in September last, for $24,000, on which he paid $16,000 in cash, with a view to build a residence thereon, when he had before that uniformly declared his disinclination to live out of the City proper, and as the record shows, he owned this real estate at the time of his arrest; that such payment was made out of moneys obtained on forged instruments made by him; that he bought household articles, personal and apparel, and made a great variety of other purchases indiscriminately and in large and extravagant quantities without regard to his actual wants; that all his purchases were, with trifling exceptions, made for cash, and paid for out of moneys raised upon forged paper, when he might have obtained them on credit; that he paid large amounts to creditors from whom he had been released out of moneys obtained from this series of forged paper; that having it in his power, he omitted to destroy evidences of his forgeries; that he procured a young and inexperienced and honest person—a relative—to prepare notes which he subsequently converted into forgeries; that he had no appreciation whatever of the ruin and disgrace which must inevitably befall himself and family; that he made no preparation to accumulate or save any property for himself or family, notwithstanding he was solicited to make provision against a failure in business or other like misfortune; that he even made no preparation for defraying the expenses of his defence in the event of his exposure; that he has since his arrest sent to several persons who have suffered by him, soliciting money to aid him in his defence; that when first arrested on the only forgery then detected, he was bailed in $20,000, with two of his alleged victims as sureties, one of whom was Charles Belden, and was suffered to go at large for a day without making any effort whatever to escape, but made and kept an appointment to meet these two alleged victims at the house of one of them in the evening following his arrest, and there, in effect, admitted that nearly all the commercial paper which he had delivered to them were forgeries, and wept with them over this state of things; that the next morning, when at large, and not under arrest, he made a voluntary assignment to these two alleged victims, giving them all his property and effects, to the exclusion of all other persons; that his connection with all the other forgeries was soon afterwards made known to the police authorities, and upon a rearrest, he was committed to prison, where he has since remained cheerful and confident that he will not be punished.

Gentlemen, whether the defendant will be punished or not, it is for you to say,—but his Counsel believe and intend to maintain, that there was no guilty intent for which he is criminally responsible. It was not until a number of days after his arrest that the theory we have adopted was suggested to us. He was assured by my associate that there was no hope for him, and that all he could do would be to endeavor to place him in a position where he could throw himself upon the mercy of the Court with some measure of success, but he showed an entire want of appreciation of his advice, and blindly assured us that he had done nothing for which he ought to be punished, and that he was sure he would be acquitted. He was so confident and unconcerned, and made so little impression upon us of his guilt, that we sought for some explanation of this strange conduct, and, without any suggestion from him or from any of his friends, but from a remark made by one of the prosecuting witnesses to the Police Magistrate who committed the defendant to prison, and by that magistrate incidentally and without any particular object repeated to me. This witness remarked to the magistrate that he thought Huntingdon was crazy, but he probably did not mean it in the legal sense. Nevertheless, it had its bearing, and gave us a clue to inquiry, and upon inquiry, and with the aid of the Doctors after personal inspection, we became convinced that he was as clearly not accountable for what he had done as if he had been a child not yet arrived at years of discretion.

We say that he acted under the influence of that insanity which is commonly called *monomania*; that in the particular act charged he was affected by a morbid condition of the mind which excuses him from criminal responsibility. This is exhibited in his reckless and incautious habit of forgery without any actual or sane design to defraud or injure, and without any of the ordinary cautions adopted for concealment. The motive being exclusively the insane impulse, and the object that of acquiring large amounts of money without any regard for their value. The defendant always supposed that he could, and intended that he would, meet his obligations and accumulate wealth; but his acts, without his being aware of it, necessarily prevented either of these results.

At another stage of this trial these considerations and the legal propositions bearing upon the question of insanity will be more ably stated and will be elaborately argued by my learned associate.

Gentlemen, we would not have you determine this want of accountability in the defendant from any one or two of his acts. If we did we should too much, perhaps, resemble Scholasticus, who thought to convey a full idea of his house from a specimen brick which he carried with him. It is from a connected view of the whole of this man's life and acts that the character of his erratic intellect can be determined. All men have their follies, and many have their eccentricities of conduct and idiosyncrasies of thought, but these things standing alone go but a little way to excuse crime in any form. Where the peculiarities of the mind, however, deprive the subject of the power to distinguish between right and wrong in the commission of any particular act in its nature criminal, and when the impulse to commit that act is irresistible and uncontrollable, no matter what amount of cunning may accompany the act, and no matter what motive may have actuated the individual, his hand is guided by a power which he cannot resist, and the act is not his own.

"Was't Hamlet wrong'd Laertes? Never, Hamlet:
If Hamlet from himself be ta'en away,
And when he's not himself does wrong Laertes,
Then Hamlet does it not: Hamlet denies it.
Who does it then? His madness. If't be so,
Hamlet is of the faction that is wrong'd;
His madness is poor Hamlet's enemy."

From the time the mistaken prosperity of the defendant commenced, something over a year ago, he has slept, and still continues to sleep, sweetly. With such a weight of guilt as is here charged on him, no man, able to distinguish between the right and the wrong of such deeds, could fail to stagger beneath the enormity of such crime. He would toss him on his bed, wakefully, under a troubled conscience, and would turn him on his pillow, and groan heavily from a heart crammed with remorse. But he slept sweetly, awoke cheerily, and pursued his *business* and followed his pleasures without a thought of guilt.

The books tell us of homicidal maniacs, who kill, from some well-defined though singular motive, and, even when the killing has been followed by flight, and efforts to conceal it, an acquittal has been ordered by enlightened Courts. They tell us also of those who have a *penchant* for theft, and steal whenever occasion offers, and, even where the things stolen have been used in the gratification of some well-defined desire, they have been held not accountable. They tell us of perjuries committed to gratify well-defined motives of revenge, and yet, when it appeared that the truth would have subserved the same end, and the party was incapable as a general thing of telling the truth when it would answer his interests better than a lie, he has been held to be a monomaniac, and not responsible. In the older works on medical jurisprudence, we find that if any *motive*, adequate or not, was detected, it consigned the culprit to a felon's doom. In those days a barbarous notion prevailed that the victim of insanity should be made a victim to the law. There was no sympathy for the lunatic. Such an institution as an insane asylum was not then known. Nothing short of insane paroxysm or downright idiocy would avail as a defence. In those days too, the regicide was visited with a pecuniary penalty when he would have been hung if he stole a shilling. In later years, however, medical jurisprudence has been more just and discriminating. Insanity in all its varied forms has been made the subject of patient and enlightened investigation, and of humane efforts to cure and ameliorate the conditions of those unfortunate beings who are possessed of unsound minds; and it is our intention to aid your judgment in the present case by the testimony of some of the ablest and most distinguished medical men in this country who will be guided in their opinions, not only from personal inspection of the defendant, and from proofs of the facts I have already related, but also from the additional fact that there has been derangement in various forms among his ancestors, and it may be that an hereditary taint is traceable to him.

Gentlemen, I have, perhaps, already detained you too long, and I beg you will excuse me if my zeal has led me into an abuse of your patience. There is much that I have omitted which might have been said, and many unaccountable acts of this defendant that I might have related, to strengthen and illustrate the theory of this defence.

The proofs, as I have stated them, will require the examination of a large number of witnesses. We cannot hope to procure the attendance of them all. Some of them, we have reason to believe, have been sent away and put beyond our reach, through the agency of Charles Belden, or some of his confederates. Some of them are absent on business, and some have absented themselves from a mistaken apprehension that, to appear here and tell what they know, will prejudice them. The nature of the case is such, and the interests at stake are so peculiar, that we can hardly expect that a postponement would enable us to be better prepared to go on. If you shall become satisfied, gentlemen, that we labor under these disadvantages, we can only hope that you will candidly weigh and liberally construe the testimony which we shall now proceed to offer.

Mr. Bryan resumed his seat amid profound silence, everybody looking into his neighbor's face to catch a ray of sympathetic wonder.

Mr. Brady disturbed the quietude by submitting to the Court the law points on which he meant to argue the case for the defence.

The District-Attorney rose and said he claimed from the Court as matter of law, that in every aspect in which these views, as developed in the opening for the defence, or that evidence, might be presented, whether as generally as they had been presented, or whether subdivided into the greatest possible number of details, that the defence proposed was inadmissible as evidence. At the proper time and at the very earliest moment, he would urge upon the Court, that whether the evidence which had been opened was to illustrate the intent to defraud or not, it was perfectly collateral and irrelevant; or if, in the second place, it was to be adduced to prove a species of mania of which he had never yet heard—and his reading had been, at various times, somewhat extensive, in the prosecution of his office, on that universal subject of mania—they would insist that there was no such mania known to science and to law, and therefore that such evidence could not be received.

Whilst Mr. Hall was addressing the Court, Mr. Brady got on his feet and charged Mr. Hall with being out of order—whereupon a debate sprang up between the gentlemen as to the regularity or irregularity of Mr. Hall's objection to the evidence at this time, when no witness had yet been offered to be examined.

Israel Huntingdon examined by Mr. Bryan—I am the father of the defendant; he was born in Geneva, Ontario County, New-York; he was born either in 1821 or 1822; my business has been the manufacturing and vending of cabinet ware; my son remained in my family before he came to New-York, until his majority; my impression is that that occurred in 1844.

Q.—What education did he receive?

District-Attorney—We object to the question as collateral. It makes no difference to this indictment how he was educated, whether in the Greek or Latin languages for the ministry, or whether for the State Prison.

Mr. Brady—If the declaration in presence of a father that he might have educated his son for the State Prison—if that was in good taste, then God keep me from following such an example. [Cheers in the Court, which were instantly suppressed by the officers.] The nature of the defence, continued Mr. Brady, was undertaken in opposition to the earnest wishes of the accused. They were prepared to substantiate it on the testimony of some of the most eminent medical men of the City; and when the time came they would be able to prove that the prisoner was not morally accountable for the offences charged against him.

The District-Attorney replied that nothing could be further from his design, than to say anything that would hurt the feelings of such a witness, as the aged father of the accused. But his remarks respecting the education of the prisoner were based upon the defence of the learned counsel on the other side; he would admit that the defense was really believed in by the counsel, but how well was it known that no parties are more subject to delusions than counsel for prisoners. The peculiar mania alluded to by his learned friend—kleptomania or [illegible]—were known to the law, but he did not believe that science recognized any such thing as intellectual mania. He contended that the mania for forgery as a plea for defence was inadmissible, because it was not recognized by either science or law.

The Judge thought that the evidence as to education was admissible, because in the event of the prisoner being really insane, as claimed by the defence, it might be necessary to show the nature of his early rearing, and the circumstances by which he was surrounded.

The District-Attorney still objected and was followed by Mr. Brady, enforcing the right of the defence to put the question. The defence rested on the proposition that there was a morbid condition of Huntingdon's mind, which was generally called mania, and to that end it was necessary to show the nature of his education, his early predilections, proclivities, &c.

The Judge decided that the question relating to education was admissible, in order for the defence to establish, if they can succeed in so doing, the fact of insanity.

Mr. Noyes continued the argument of the prosecution, that the evidence as to education was not admissible. If they were to have from witnesses who were acquainted with the early career of Huntingdon a statement as to all his pursuits, singularities, &c., he could well understand the trial would last for the next two weeks. They had a confession from the defence, not only of these forgeries, but of forgeries to the amount of twenty millions of dollars—a confession of forgeries for many years past—forgeries of burial certificates, of scrip, &c., beginning in early youth, when the morbid condition of his mind illustrated itself in the destruction of a magnificent rosewood piano, to see if it was veneered or not. It was intended to be shown this singular tendency to commit crime from boyhood; but time is important, and if it was done, the trial would be extended to a length altogether unwarranted. Let the defence begin with the present charges—let them begin with what is well described in English as the stealing mania—and let them show that it is a mania. But when there is no legal evidence to connect his early habits with these offences, don't let the defence keep all parties in the Court conducting the examination until the first of January.

The question being allowed, the witness proceeded: My son's early education was something better than what we should call a common school education; he was never at college; he was the victim of disease from infancy to eleven or twelve years old; thus he was very gently reared, and his erratic impulses were not checked by parental authority; in consequence, he had a difficulty in understanding the sense of moral obligation; he remained under the parental roof, and had all the moral and intellectual training his parents could give him, assisting me in my business and remaining at home till his majority, not materially varying from the description of his early childhood and mental and moral disposition; I have always maintained a fair position in society; my son's associations were of a corresponding description; he was never in low society; we were professors of religion; in his education there was no lack of moral or religious training; in disposition he was affectionate; we saw, however, in him, an irresistible *penchant* to do strange things, especially to destroy every thing that came in his way; the family from which he is immediately derived have been healthful for a long period back, but an older sister of mine, at seventeen years of age, became deranged and remained so till her death; an older brother of mine, is now much in a similar situation; the brother of my son's mother—a youth of fine promise—went into business here, but when about twenty-two years of age, he was obliged to abandon business, at the advice of his friends, after manifesting mental aberration that rendered him incompetent to transact business, until at length he had to undergo personal restraint; he would go into the street, and in a piteous manner, beg charity from bystanders, although he was in want of nothing, and perhaps in an hour afterwards he would go round and distribute the alms he had gained; my own age is seventy-six years.

Cross-examined by Mr. Noyes—The disease in his head in infancy was of a scrofulous character; it gradually disappeared with his growth, and at nine or ten years old did not display itself; his tendency to violence exhibited itself with the earliest development of his mental faculties; that was the ruling trait of his character as long as he resided with his parents, up to the time of his majority; he would destroy furniture; he would drive a quantity of nails into anything he could meet with; it seemed impossible to impress upon him a sense of moral obligation by chastisement; he was prone to take things which did not belong to him; I cannot say I know of any overt act of stealing; at some period during his minority he altered my hand-writing in the family record to make himself one year younger than he was; he was not a truth-telling boy; you could not rely upon his statements, although there was no motive why he should falsify; I endeavored to check him in this conduct, as a father should; he was kept at school, I think, till he was about sixteen; I then commenced teaching him my business, though I designed that he should study law; he studied at the academy of Geneva.

The examination of this witness being concluded the Court adjourned to this morning at 10½ o'clock.

SUPREME COURT—SPECIAL TERM.

Before Hon. Justice Clerke.

MOTION TO DISCHARGE FELICE DURAND ON BAIL.

Yesterday Francis Leon (*alias* Felice Durand,) applied to the Court to be discharged from prison on bail. Two indictments are impending against her for stealing silk from Stewart's, and from Loder & Co. It is alleged that she is quite ill, suffering under an attack of rheumatism. It is stated that in the first instance she was admitted to bail, but ran away and forfeited it. She is very well-connected, and several attempts have been made in the Court of Sessions to admit her to bail.

The motion was argued by James T. Brady for the applicant, and Assistant District-Attorney Sedgwick for the people.

Judge Clerke denied the application on the ground that to grant it would be to interfere with the province of the Court of Sessions.

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM.—Dec. 19.

Before Hon. Justice Slosson.

CONCLUSION OF THE PENNINGTON CASE—CHARGE OF THE JUSTICE—VERDICT AGAINST MR. PENNINGTON.

James W. Pennington vs. The Sixth-Avenue Railroad Company.—On the opening of the Court yesterday morning, the defendants offered to put Mr. Van Dusen upon the stand to prove that the plaintiff's feet were not stamped upon in putting him off the car. Mr. Van Dusen, we believe, is the particularly-respectable gentleman who preferred to walk rather than to ride in the same car with a black man. As it was understood on the adjournment of the Court on Thursday that no more witnesses were to be examined, the defendants withdrew him and proceeded to sum up. Mr. Hutchins stated the nature of the action, and endeavored to prove that if the rule were established allowing colored persons to ride in our cars, they must also be allowed to sit at the public tables in our hotels. He argued that Nature had made the race distinct, and that they must necessarily remain so. The laws of our State so considered him, as also did those of several of the other States. He claimed that the Company furnished a greater number of cars for the colored population, in proportion to their number, than they did for the white people. He advanced several questions of law, which he afterwards embraced in the points upon which he requested the Court to charge.

Mr. Phelps, for the plaintiff, then arose, and for over an hour occupied the attention of the jury. He claimed that the defendants, as common carriers, were not justified in refusing to convey any passenger who might present himself, in accordance with the reasonable regulations of the Company; and that the law prohibiting the conveyance of colored persons in all the cars was not a reasonable regulation. He proceeded, at some length, to answer the objections raised by his opponent, and briefly spoke of the difference in the races, claiming that the free negroes in this City were equal, morally and intellectually, with those of the same station in life among the white population. He spoke of the repugnance which, it was said, many of the passengers had to riding with colored people, and stated that nowhere, but in New-York, did this prejudice exist. In New-England respectable negroes were admitted into the cars. In Europe, a negro, who was properly attired, could ride in the same car with any of the nobility, without any one imagining themselves demeaned by reason of his presence. As for himself, he did not care to have anything to do with any persons who felt themselves above riding with as respectable a colored man as his client. Both the counsel, of course, paid their tribute to the "very high-minded and particularly-intelligent jury, who had listened to all the evidence with such patience, &c., &c."

After a short recess the plaintiff's counsel read the following points, which he wished the court to charge as law.

1. That the defendants, as common carriers of passengers, are bound to admit into any car running upon their route in which there may be room, any passenger who presents himself in accordance with the reasonable regulations of the Company.

This his Honor charged.

2. That a regulation of the Company excluding a passenger, merely upon the ground of his color, from any car upon their route in which there is room for him, is not such a reasonable regulation as the company have a right to make, but is illegal and void.

His Honor refused thus to charge.

If the Court declines to accede to this proposition, then we say that the question whether the regulation is a reasonable one must be submitted to the Jury.

This was charged.

The plaintiff excepts to the charge in so far as it does not cover these propositions.

The defendants submitted the following points:

1. The defendants, as common carriers, have the right to prescribe reasonable rules and regulations in the transportation of passengers on their railroad; and by such rules and regulations to make a distinction between white persons and colored persons, and to provide separate cars for each.

His Honor refused thus to charge, stating that it was a question for the jury.

2. If the defendants in this action have made reasonable rules and regulations for the transportation of colored persons, they have discharged their duty as common carriers, and are not liable in this action.

This he charged.

3. The plaintiff was bound, after notice of the rules and regulations of the Company, to have quitted the inside of the car and take a place on the front platform, or to have left the car and taken passage on one appropriated to the use of colored persons, which it is in evidence was in near proximity.

His Honor would so charge in case the first point was found for the defendants.

4. That the contract of the defendants as common carriers with the community, never extended beyond the furnishing of three cars for the special use of colored persons, and the privilege of riding on the platforms of the other cars; and that as a matter of law the defendants are entitled to a verdict upon the ground that there is no evidence that the plaintiff was excluded from either a colored car, or prevented from taking a place upon the platforms of any of the others.

This was refused.

His Honor then charged the Jury as follows:

SLOSSON, Justice—The question is whether these defendants as common carriers of passengers, admitting their general obligation to transport on their road all who apply for that purpose, if they have the accommodation, on being paid the usual fare, may or not, consistently with such obligation, exclude by a general rule or regulation, the colored people, as a distinct class, from the privilege of seats in certain of their cars, while they appropriate especially to their use other cars of the same description, and give them standing accommodation in all their cars. In other words, whether these defendants as common carriers of passengers are justified in adopting and acting upon the rule or regulation by which they exclude colored people from all portions of their cars except the front platform, while they at the same time provide other cars of the same description, in which, and in all parts of which, they have by the same regulation, an equal right with the whites. It is a question involving a principle, upon which I believe there has as yet been no adjudication. As an abstract proposition it is one of great nicety and difficulty. The general rule of obligation before adverted to, is not denied by the defendants. Nor is it denied by the plaintiff that the common carrier may lawfully exclude from his conveyance disorderly persons, and such as would by their conduct, and, perhaps, such as would by their notoriously bad character, give offence and discomfort to the other passengers. That is not the present case. For aught that appears, this plaintiff is a man of the highest respectability. Nor is the question embarrassed by the circumstances of the plaintiff having been received into the car by consent of the conductor, or by his having paid his fare while occupying a seat in the interior, with such consent, in either of which cases it would not perhaps have been lawful to have excluded him, unless he had acted disorderly, for it is in evidence that the conductor's custom was to direct a colored person on mounting the car to pass through to the front platform, and there is nothing to show that he did not do it in this instance, and in respect to the fare there is no pretence that it was demanded or paid. Nor is it the question of whether the plaintiff, not being able to procure accommodation in one of the cars appropriated to colored people, had a right, by reason of such want of accommodation elsewhere, to take his seat in this particular car, for there is no pretence that he could not on this occasion have been accommodated in one of those cars, and the evidence is that he was expressly told by the conductor that one of those cars was the second behind, and that he expressly refused to quit his seat, on the ground that he had an equal right with every one else to remain in that car in which he was seated. But the question is really narrowed down to this: had he the general right to sit in any car he might select, promiscuously with the whites, notwithstanding the regulation of the Company to the contrary?

You will perceive, gentlemen, that, in view of the great number of this class of our population, this is a very serious question. The principle which it involves has equal application to hotel-keepers, omnibus proprietors and all others of that description.

If it be true that this Company is obliged, by force of law, to admit colored people into their cars indiscriminately with the whites, I see no reason why a hotel-keeper is not equally bound to give any unoccupied room in his house to a colored man who may apply for it, or to admit colored people to seats at the public table indiscriminately with the whites—of this latter, however, there may well be a doubt, though the former consequence may be indisputable. A common carrier has unquestionably a right to prescribe reasonable rules and regulations for the management of his business, having reference to the general accommodation and to his own interests. The right of citizens to be carried is not absolute. It is subject to such reasonable regulations as the carrier may prescribe, as above stated, and a passenger who refuses to submit to a reasonable regulation and rule, may be required to leave the conveyance, and, if he resists, be compelled to leave it.

A common carrier is not obliged to carry a person as a passenger, (though he may, so far as his general deportment is concerned, be unexceptionable, and he may tender his fare,) if the object and design of the person is to interfere with and prejudice their interests. It has been said by one of the most distinguished Jurists, that an innkeeper is not bound to entertain and lodge the agent of a rival house, whose business there is to decoy away his customers.

There must be some limitation to the general right of the citizen, and the general obligation of the carrier. The carrier is not obliged, by reason of the general obligation, to receive every person, when by so doing he may seriously damage his business. And for the purpose of determining the reasonableness of the regulation in question, the probable effect upon the capital, business and interests, of admitting blacks into their cars indiscriminately with the whites, is a matter for your consideration.

The question, always is, whether in the particular instance, the exclusion of the passenger is reasonable and proper, and if the exclusion was by virtue of a rule or regulation, then whether such rule or regulation is reasonable and proper. That will be the first question for you to pass upon: were the rules and regulations in question reasonable and proper under all the circumstances? The Company had a right to prescribe them, if they were reasonable, and no passenger has a right to violate them. If you shall be of opinion that they were reasonable and proper, then on their being made known to plaintiff, he was bound to have submitted to them. It was his duty to have left the car when requested so to do, or to have taken his stand on the front platform, the choice between the two having been given to him. On his refusal to do so, it was lawful for the conductor to eject him, using only such force as might be necessary for that purpose. If by reason of his resistance injury occurs to him, the Company are not responsible. If the regulation was a reasonable and proper one and was made known to the plaintiff, (of which notice the evidence leaves no doubt,) the plaintiff was bound to have submitted, and any injury he may have received in resisting forms no ground for a claim for damages, if the force used in removing was not more than necessary.

If this was not a reasonable and proper regulation, then the plaintiff was not bound to submit to it, but was entitled to his seat, and the ejection was unlawful, and the defendants are liable in damages. In determining the question of the reasonableness of this regulation, you must take all the circumstances developed in the case into consideration, and the probable effect upon the business and interests of the Company, from allowing blacks an equality as passengers with whites. I shall not embarrass you with any comments on this question so far as your control over it extends. It is one of those which call for the special exercise of great wisdom, candor and fairness on the part of a jury, and one in respect to which any admixture of prejudice or passion in determining the question, may tend seriously to impair, on one side or the other, the rights of these parties. This, however, you will bear in mind—viz.: the question is not whether the Company furnish accommodation sufficient for all the colored people who may apply, for there is no pretence, as I have already said, that the plaintiff was obliged to enter this car because he could not get accommodation in one of those set apart to their special use, but the question is simply whether the rule by which the plaintiff was, as a colored man, excluded from this car was, under all the circumstances, reasonable and proper. It is contended by the plaintiff, that as matter of law, the Company have no right to exclude one class of persons as a class, from their cars; and if this be so, then it is clear there is no further question in this case, and the question of reasonableness in the rule does not arise. On that point it is my duty to instruct you. Whichever way I may rule on this question, it is one which will probably be hereafter discussed before a higher tribunal, but for the purposes of this trial I shall rule that, if in your opinion such a rule and regulation is, under the circumstances developed in this case, a reasonable and proper one, in fact then the Company had the right, in law, to make it. If you shall find that this was a reasonable and proper regulation, then, as the plaintiff was bound to have submitted to it, and as he did not, the defendants will be entitled to your verdict, unless, in expelling the plaintiff from the car, the agents of the Company used unnecessary violence. And, as this question of the degree of force proper to use, it is proper that I should say to you again, that if the regulation was proper, the plaintiff was not justified in resisting the effort to expel him, and the Company are not responsible for the consequences of the exertions of the increased force rendered necessary by such resistance.

It is proper further to say that the plaintiff can have no claim for damages for any violence which may have been used to prevent his re-entering the car after he was actually put outside and beyond it. His legal rights do not depend on any such attempt to redress himself. If he had peaceably left the car when ordered by the conductor to leave it, his legal right to this action would have been as perfect as it now is after all his resistance. If you shall find that this was not a reasonable and proper regulation, then the plaintiff is entitled to a verdict at your hands, and the only question will be as to damages. In law, his expulsion would be an unjustifiable trespass and assault on the person of the plaintiff, and for which you have a right to give such damages as you may deem reasonable, having reference to the nature and publicity of the assault, and the injury to the plaintiff's feelings, reputation and person. But it is proper to remind you of what the plaintiff's counsel himself admits, that the object of this action is not so much damages as to test the question in dispute, and the amount of damage one way or the other can have no effect on that question. I do not, however, by this remark, intend to limit your discretion in this matter.

The Jury then retired, and after some hours' absence brought in a verdict for the defendants. We understand that this verdict was rendered on the ground that the admission of colored persons would tend to diminish the profits of the Company. The case will be taken to the General Term.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS—SPECIAL TERM.

Before Judge Daly.

Charles Benson vs. Augustus Schmeert.—Order appointing a receiver of the property, &c. of defendant.

G. B. Greenleaf vs. Robert Jarvis.—Judgment for

[illegible] with liberty to amend or pay- [illegible] of costs, &c.

John W. Gould vs. The Mayor, &c.—Motion for leave to amend complaint granted.

Emancipation Declared Illegal in Louisiana—Act Relative to Slaves and Free Persons of Color.

From the New-Orleans Picayune.

The Supreme Court on Monday rendered an important decision on the constitutionality of the law, passed in 1855, bearing the title at the head of this paragraph, and which is, in its results, of the greatest importance to the community. The question was brought before the Supreme Court on an appeal from the District Court of the Seventh Judicial District of East Feliciana. This case was argued in the Supreme Court on the 28th of February last, and has been held under advisement ever since, and no doubt, from its great importance, has received all due consideration. The opinion of a majority of the Court was read by Judge BUCHANAN, and assented to by Chief Justice MERRICK and Judge VOORHIES. A dissenting opinion was read by Judge SPOFFORD, in which Judge LEA concurred.

Not having been able to obtain access to these opinions, we cannot go into such an examination of them as we would wish, and have to rely principally upon our memory as we heard them read.

Among other matters involved in this decision, and the most important of any we now recollect, is that affecting the emancipation of slaves. The sections of the act in question relative to this subject were entirely new, whereas the greater portion of the act was a species of condensation of former acts on the general subject. The declaring null and void the act of 1855 revives all the former acts embraced in it, while all new matter is null. In consequence, the new process of emancipating slaves falls to the ground, is null, and with it all suits now in progress for the emancipation of slaves. How it will affect those already declared free, is more than we can at present determine. We may soon allude to this matter again.

The case is entitled, "The State of Louisiana, appellee, vs. HARRISON, a slave, appellant." The slave HARRISON was tried for the murder of another slave, by a tribunal composed of two Justices of the Peace, and ten slaveholders, who found him guilty and sentenced him to imprisonment at hard labor for life; his counsel appealed on the ground that the law of 1855, p. 257, was in conflict with article 115 of the Constitution of this State, which reads as follows: Every law enacted by the Legislature shall embrace but one object, and that shall be expressed in the title." BUCHANAN, Judge, *held*: That the law in question, consisting of one hundred sections, embraced many objects, only two of which were enumerated in the title, to wit, "free colored persons" and "slaves," that the act as well as the title itself was in conflict with the Constitution, and therefore wholly null and void; that such parts of it as were taken from other laws was in force by virtue of those laws, which this act affected to repeal; that among those former laws was one relating to the trial of slaves, in exact accordance with which the slave, the defendant in this suit, was tried and convicted, and which law was still in force. The judgment of the Lower Court was affirmed.

MAIL ROBBERY AND ARREST OF THE CULPRIT.—JOHN C. STANFORD, Assistant-Postmaster at Florence, N. Y., was arrested on Saturday last, for robbing the mails at that place. He has had, it appears, the principal management of the office for about four years, and during most of the time, complaint has existed in that part of Lewis County, that money letters could not be entrusted to the mails with safety, quite a large number having mysteriously disappeared on their way to and from New-York and other places. But the age and standing of Mr. STANFORD have heretofore prevented suspicion from attaching to him.

The difficulties on that route still continuing, and some losses having recently occurred to citizens of New-York, one of the Special Agents of Post-Office Department, Mr. HOLBROOK, set out in search of the depredator, and on Saturday traced the roguery directly and positively to the above named official, who was at once arrested and lodged in jail at Rome.

This case is a somewhat peculiar one, especially owing to the age of the party detected. He is said to be about 60; a Justice of the Peace, having acted constantly in the capacity of a magistrate for seven years past; has a family, and is understood to have heretofore sustained a fair character. Alas! for the weakness of poor human nature.

Let this sad case prove a warning to all in situations of responsibility and trust, particularly to those surrounded by those peculiar temptations incident to Post-Offices and the mail service. They have now seen for the thousandth time, that sooner or later, detection is sure to follow that as well as other courses of dishonesty.—*Alb. Eve Journal, Wednesday.*

D. P. DORR, the Secretary of the Lake Association of Underwriters, is preparing the usual detailed statement of the losses upon the Lakes for the season. The losses of the year amount to over *four million dollars.* In 1855 they were $2,797,839.

MARKET REPORTS.

Markets—*Carefully Reported for N. Y. Daily Times.*

NEW-YORK, Friday, Dec. 19—6 P. M.

ASHES—Are in fair request at steady prices. Pearls [illegible] ⅌ 100 lbs.

BEESWAX—We heard of sales of 2,800 lbs. American yellow at 31½c.@32c. ⅌ lb.

CANDLES—Are moderately inquired for at unchanged rates.

COFFEE—Rio is plenty and heavy. Owners claim full prices, but buyers are reluctant to take hold now, as they anticipate easier terms soon. Other kinds are quiet, yet steady, with a moderate quantity on the market. Java, 13½c.@14½c.; Laguayra, 11¾c.@12½c.; Maracaibo, 11¾c.@12½c.; Rio, 9c.@11¾c., and St. Domingo at 10½c.@10¾c. ⅌ lb.

COPPER—Is rather inactive, parties differing about prices.

COTTON—Is in lively demand, and is tending upwards. Middlings may now be quoted at 12¾c. for Uplands, and 12¾c.@13¼c. for Gulf; other grades at proportionate rates, ⅌ lb.

FISH—The market is lightly supplied and is firm, though there exists only a very limited inquiry for all descriptions.

FLOUR AND MEAL—The market for State and Western Flour shows symptoms of renewed activity and buoyancy, with less pressing for sale. The transactions reported since our last comprise about 11,800 bbls., in lots, mainly at prices within the annexed range:

Ordinary State	$6 30@$6 40
Straight State	6 40@ 6 50
Favorite and Extra State	6 50@ 6 80
Common to Good Indiana and Upper Lake	6 45@ 6 75
Common to Good Superfine Ohio	6 60@ 6 80
Fancy Michigan	6 50@ 6 70
Extra Michigan	6 70@ 7 50
Extra Indiana, &c.	6 70@ 7 50
Extra Ohio	6 80@ 9 00
Fancy Genesee	6 85@ 7 05
Extra Genesee	7 10@ 8 75
Extra Missouri	6 75@ 9 00

Canadian is unaltered. Superfine to extra commands only from $6 35@$7 75 ⅌ bbl.; 450 bbls. found buyers thereat. Southern is in good demand at steady rates. The transactions, since our last, comprise about 2,300 barrels low Mixed to Fancy and Extra, at $7 05@$8 and $8 ⅌ bbl. Rye Flour is scarce and quiet, at $3 60@$5 12½ for Fine to Superfine ⅌ bbl. Corn Meal is tame and infirm, at $3 37½ for Jersey, and $3 75@$3 87½ for Brandywine, ⅌ bbl. The latter brings $17 25@$17 50 in puncheons. Buckwheat Flour is plenty and quiet, mainly at $2 25@$2 75 ⅌ 100 lbs.

GRAIN—Wheat is pretty briskly sought after and is advancing. The supply of desirable lots is rather limited. The sales reported since our last consist of about 21,000 bushels, including choice Western White, at $1 78; ordinary Western Red, at $1 42½; and choice Southern White, at $1 77, ⅌ bushel. Rye is more abundant and is depressed at 85c.@88c. for ordinary prime ⅌ bushel. Oats are salable and steady, at 48c.@50c. for Ohio and Lake; 47c.@48c. for State; 44c.@47c. for Jersey, and 41c.@45c. for Southern, ⅌ bushel. Barley is in moderate demand, and is quoted at $1@$1 30 for inferior to choice, ⅌ bushel. Barley Malt commands $1 40@$1 45 ⅌ bushel. Corn continues heavy and infirm. There were sales reported of about 29,000 bushels at 67c.@69c. for unsound; 70c.@72c. for Mixed, in store and delivered; 71c. for Southern new Yellow; 73c.@76c. for Northern and Southern old Yellow, and 74c.@76c. for Northern and Southern White, ⅌ bushel.

HAY—Sales were made of 250 bales River at 85c., for shipment; and $1 for local use, ⅌ 100 lbs.

HIDES—Attract less attention, but are still reported pretty firm.

HOPS—New continue plenty and heavy at from 7c.@10½c. ⅌ lb. Old rule dull and nominal at 3c.@5c. ⅌ lb.

IRON—There were 175 tons Scotch Pig bought at $29 @$30 50, usual terms, ⅌ ton.

LATHS—Eastern, $1 31¼@$1 37½, cash and time, ⅌ M.

LEAD—Is still moderately inquired for at former prices.

LEATHER—Finds ready purchasers at very full prices.

LIME—Rockland continues in fair demand at steady prices, 90c. for Common, and $1 20 for Lump ⅌ bbl.

MOLASSES—The supply and demand are limited at unaltered figures. New-Orleans, 70c.@80c.; Porto Rico, 56c.@60c.; Cuba Muscovado, 48c.@53c.; and Clayed Cuba, nominal, for sour and sweet, ⅌ gallon.

NAVAL STORES—Crude Turpentine is inactive, being scarce and held above the views of buyers, at $3 81¼@$3 50 ⅌ 280 lbs. Spirits do. is plenty and heavy. Large lots would not bring over 48c. Small lots are selling at 48c.@49c. ⅌ gallon. Tar, Rosin and Pitch are dull and languid, as before quoted.

OILS—Whale, Sperm and Olive are inactive at old figures. Linseed is more inquired for, but at prices under the claims of owners. A limited business, in lots, from store, has been reported at 79c.@81c. ⅌ gallon. There were several parcels, to arrive, purchased on terms not ascertained. Lard Oil is unaltered.

PROVISIONS—Pork is in very good request at steady rates, sales having transpired since our last of about 2,000 bbls., in lots, at $19@$19 12½ for old Mess; $19 50@$19 62½ for new do.; and $17@$17 37½ for new prime, ⅌ bbl. No old prime offering. Dressed Hogs bring, in lots, 7¾c.@8c. ⅌ lb. Cut Meats are in moderate supply and demand, at 9¼c.@10¾c. for Hams, and 7½c.@7¾c. for Shoulders, ⅌ lb. Bacon is in very brisk request for immediate and future delivery, and it is quite firm, at from 9¾c. @10c. ⅌ lb. Nearly 1,500 boxes have been sold within the range. Lard is unchanged. The transactions since our last reach about 800 bbls. and tcs., ordinary to strictly prime, at 12½c.@12¾c. ⅌ lb. Beef is in good demand at rising rates. The transactions since our last consist of 750 bbls., at $8 50@$9 75 for Country Prime; $9 50@$12 for Country Mess; $10 50@$13 for repacked do.; $14 50@$15 75 for new Chicago Mess, and $15 50 for extra do., &c. ⅌ bbl. Prime Mess Beef is very dull and nominal at $17@$20 for old ⅌ tc. Beef Hams are scarce and quiet at $18@$20 ⅌ bbl. Butter is pretty active and buoyant at 17c.@23c. for Ohio; 21c.@27c. for common to very good State; and 27c.@30c. for prime to very choice do., ⅌ lb. Cheese is in fair supply and request, at 9c.@10c. ⅌ lb.

RICE—There have been 140 tcs. of common to choice, sold at from $3 75@$4 37½ ⅌ 100 lbs.

SALT—The supply is less extensive, and owners claim very full prices, but the demand is moderate. The *Clarence*, at this port to-day, from Turk's Island, Nov. 8, furnishes Turk's Island papers of that date, from which we learn: "The demand for salt has not been so active as it was last year—only 33,090 bushels have been exported since our last report. There are three vessels in port to load—one at Cockburn Harbor and two at this Cay—which will take about 20,000 bushels; we shall have then on hand over 200,000 bushels, the largest portion of which is at Cockburn Harbor. Price 15c. Export duty ½c."

SOAP—About 100 boxes Castile brought 10½c.@11c. ⅌ lb.

SUGARS—The demand is fair, and prices are firm, —with sales reported since our last of about 520 hhds. Cuba, &c., in lots, at from 8¼c.@9¾c. ⅌ lb. From the second annual report of the Board of Directors of the St. Louis Belcher Sugar Refining Co., we learn that the business for the last year has been highly prosperous. The net amount of sales of refined goods was $3,808,924, and the net amount earned over all expenses, interest, &c., was $307,077 85. The Company has earned since its organization, 21 months ago, $340,000, with which the working means then in hand ($116,500) gives them now a working capital of $456,500 over and above all liabilities.

TALLOW—There have been 17,500 lbs. prime sold at about former rates.

TEAS—Are in pretty good request, and with very little disposition to sell freely at the present currency, prices show much firmness, with a slight tendency upwards.

TOBACCO—Spanish Tobacco is the most active; prices of all sorts continue firm. The sales reported since Tuesday last include 52 hhds. Kentucky at 12c.@14½c. ⅌ lb.; 81 bales Havana at 31c. ⅌ lb.; 600 bales Yara on private terms; 80 bales Cuba (partly at auction) at 16½c.@26c. ⅌ lb.; 75 cases Seedleaf at 13c.@26c. ⅌ lb., with 68 bales Manilla and 70 bales Ambelima, for export, on terms not made public.

WHISKY—There were about 225 bbls. Ohio and Prison obtained, mostly at 30c. ⅌ gallon.

FREIGHTS—Were rather brisker and firmer. For Liverpool—Cotton, ⅛d.@5-32d. ⅌ lb.; Flour, 1s. 6d. @1s. 9d. ⅌ bbl.; Grain, 5d.@5½d. ⅌ bush.; Rosin, 2s.@2s. 3d. ⅌ bbl.; and Heavy Goods, 17s. 6d.@25s. ⅌ ton. For other European ports, proportionate quotations. For ports on the Pacific Ocean, the shipping business is very tame, and rates for measurement goods cannot be quoted above 25c.@30c. for San Francisco and Melbourne, and 30c. for Sidney, ⅌ foot. There are now advertised here only five vessels for San Francisco, Cal.; two for Melbourne, Aust.; and one for Sidney, N. S. W.

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☞ **Great Sale of Elegant Oil-Paintings in Brooklyn.**—A large and splendid collection of European Oil-Paintings will be sold on TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY EVENINGS, Dec. 23 and 24, at No. 355 Fulton-st., Brooklyn, (opposite the City Hall.)

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☞ **New, Neat, and Choice Articles** for presents, just received, and for sale at reasonable prices. HEGEMAN, CLARK & CO., Nos. 165, 273, 511 and 756 Broadway.

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First lecture by Rev. E. H. CHAPIN, Dec. 29, at 7½ P. M. Subject—*Benjamin Franklin.* Tickets, 25 cents, may be procured of Van Orden & King, No. 45 Wall-st., Wm. Hall & Son, No. 239 Broadway, and at the bookstores. DWIGHT H. OLMSTEAD, CLEMENT D. NEWMAN, WM. H. WOODMAN, Lecture Committee.

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☞ **The New-England Society in the City of New-York** will hold their 51st annual meeting, at the Astor House, on MONDAY, the 22d inst., at 12 o'clock, noon, for the election of officers for the ensuing year.

The Society, with their guests and friends, will dine at the Astor House on the above day, at 6 o'clock precisely.

Hon. THOMAS H. BENTON has accepted an invitation to the dinner, and it is expected that Speaker BANKS and GEORGE PEABODY, Esq., with other distinguished men, will also be present. Tickets may be obtained of the officers of the Society, and at the Astor House. L. P. HUBBARD, Secretary.

☞ **Kansas Lands.**—The Trustees for the purchase of lands in Kansas, will receive deposits in trust, to apply them to the purchase of the Delaware Indians' Trust Lands, and to the purchase of other lands in Kansas. Shares in the general fund $100, bearing interest, and receivable in purchase of lands of the Trust. For subscription, or for special investments, or for further information, apply to the Treasurer, personally or by letter, at No. 1 Winter-st., Boston. JOSEPH LYMAN, Treasurer. AMOS A. LAWRENCE, WM. DUDLEY PICKMAN, ROBERT B. STORER, Trustees.

☞ **Hebrew Ladies' Charity Fair.**—The ladies of the congregation Shearith Israel, (Crosby-st.,) will hold a Fair at Academy Hall, No. 663 Broadway, on TUESDAY, Dec. 23, to continue open from 12 M. to 10 P. M., (except Friday evening and Saturday during the day,) until Dec. 31—the proceeds to be distributed by the Society for the education of poor children and relief of indigent persons of the Jewish persuasion. Dodworth's Band (H. B. Dodworth, conductor) will give a concert every evening during the Fair. Tickets 25 cents.

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☞ **J. Clawson Kelly, Analytical Physician,** can be consulted at his office, No. 2 Bible House, 4th-av., daily, until Jan. 1, free of charge, upon all diseases, particularly the lungs, liver, kidneys, &c., with their attending symptoms, as rheumatism, dyspepsia, nervousness, debility, difficulty of breathing, &c.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

☞ **Christmas "Prize" Beef and Mutton.**—Four first premium cattle, and thirty-six superb and mixed breeds of the Southdown, and Cotswold's, an extraordinary animal, having taken three first prizes. For further particulars, see Cattle Report of last Thursday, (Dec. 18,) *Daily Times, Tribune* and *Herald.* The whole will be offered for sale on Wednesday next, at Nos. 7 and 8 Jefferson Market. THOS. F. DE VOE.

☞ **Best and Cheapest** oil cognac green extract brandy, essences, Holland gin, Jamaica rum, apple, peach and cherry brandy, Monongahela, Bourbon and Scotch whisky, a preparation to give body and age to all spirit liquors. All rare chemicals, fireworks, materials, metals, &c., for sale by Dr. L. FEUCHTWANGER, No. 143 Maiden-lane.

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☞ **Post-Office Notice.**—The mails for California, &c., per U. S. steamer GEORGE LAW, will close at this office on SATURDAY, the 20th day of December, at 1 o'clock P. M. ISAAC V. FOWLER, Postmaster.

☞ *Post-Office Notice.*—*The mails for Europe, per* United States steamer ATLANTIC, will close at this office on SATURDAY, the 20th day of December, at 10½ o'clock A. M. ISAAC V. FOWLER, Postmaster.

RELIGIOUS NOTICES.

☞ **Anniversary Exercises.**—The anniversary of the Sunday Schools connected with the Seventh Presbyterian Church, will take place in the church, corner of Broome and Ridge sts., Dec. 21, at 3 o'clock P. M. Sermon to the children by the Rev. J. R. SMITH; and in the evening, at the same place, at 7 o'clock, will be held the anniversary of the missionary societies connected with those schools. Addresses by Rev. Dr. HUTTON and Rev. Mr. FLETCHER, a returned missionary from South America.

The public are respectfully invited to attend.

☞ **The Ninth Anniversary of the Sabbath** School Missionary Society, connected with the Allen-st. Presbyterian Church, will take place on SABBATH EVENING, Dec. 21, at 7½ o'clock, at which time the Annual Report will be presented and addresses delivered by Rev. ALEX. R. THOMPSON, of Staten Island, and Rev. R. M. HATFIELD, of the Forsyth Methodist Episcopal Church. Singing by the children, under the direction of Mr. LUCIUS HART.

☞ **A Missionary Meeting** will be held on SUNDAY EVENING next, at 7½ o'clock, in the Church of the Ascension, to promote the General Domestic Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church, with a special reference to the Pacific Coast. Bishop SCOTT, who is soon to return to Oregon and Washington, with others, will address the meeting. A collection will be made in aid of the funds of the Domestic Committee.

☞ **Is not the Simplicity of the Gospel** mystified and obscured by a sectarian ministration—Considered by Brethren MATTHIAS, DECKER and ROWBETH, at our last meeting, corner of Elizabeth and Grand sts., and will be further discoursed on, the Lord permitting, by Elder B. MATTHIAS, SUNDAY MORNING, at the same time and place.

☞ **Public Worship—Seats Free.**—The Livingston Reformed Dutch Church continues to hold public worship at the northwest corner of 33d-st. and 8th-av., EVERY SABBATH, at 10½ and 3 o'clock. Christians interested in Church Extension, and the public generally, are invited to attend. Sabbath School at 9 and 2 o'clock. Pastor, F. N. ZABRISKIE.

☞ **The Bethel Mission Sunday School**—No. 36—connected with the Mariner's Church, corner Catharine and Madison sts., will hold their anniversary next SABBATH AFTERNOON, Dec. 21, at 3 o'clock. Rev. L. M. PEASE, of the Five Points Mission, and Rev. T. L. CUYLER, will address the meeting. The public are invited to attend.

☞ **Rev. B. J. Relyea** (late of Fall River, Mass.) will preach TO-MORROW MORNING and EVENING, in the South Congregational Church, corner of Court and President sts., South Brooklyn. Services commencing at 10½ A. M., and 7½ P. M. The public are invited to attend.

☞ **Particular Notice to Young Men.**—The Young Men's Religious Meeting down town will be on WEDNESDAY EVENING, Dec. 24, at the usual hour. Interesting exercises expected. It is desired to make this a regular gathering for young men down town. Lecture-room of the Church corner of Fulton and William sts.

☞ *John-street First M. E. Church*—John-st. between Nassau and William sts.—Preaching TO-MORROW MORNING and EVENING by the Pastor, Rev. CHARLES E. HARRIS, a Christian Jew. Services to commence at 10½ and 7 o'clock. Strangers and the public generally are invited to attend. Seats free.

☞ **Pine-street Church**, between 1st and 2d avs. Rev. [illegible] THOMPSON Pastor. *Preaching TO-MORROW, the 21st inst.*, at 10½ o'clock A. M. and at 3 o'clock P. M., by the Pastor. The fifth sermon in the Sabbath evening series will be preached by Rev. EDWARD LATHROP, of this City. Services commencing at 7½ o'clock.

☞ **Yorkville Baptist Church.**—Rev. L. COVELL will preach TO-MORROW, in the Baptist Church on 83d-st., between 2d and 3d avs., at 10½ A. M. and 3 P. M. Residents in the vicinity are affectionately invited to attend. P. S.—Sunday School in the Lecture-room at 1½ P. M.

☞ **First-place Methodist Episcopal Church**—Corner 1st-place and Henry-st., South Brooklyn. Rev. ABEL STEVENS will preach at 10½ o'clock A. M. Rev. J. H. RYLANCE will preach at 7 P. M. The Missionary Society connected with the Sabbath School will hold its Regular Monthly Meeting at 3 P. M.

☞ **Sabbath Evening Discourses**, by Rev. Dr. CHEEVER, in the Church of the Puritans, on Union-square. The second discourse, on the *Eternity of Future Punishment*, will be preached TO-MORROW EVENING, at 7½ o'clock.

☞ **"Memorial Church."**—Services as usual TO-MORROW, in the Church corner of Hammond and Waverley-place, one block from the corner of 11th-st., Greenwich and 7th avs. The Rector will preach in the EVENING. Services 10½, 3 and 7½. Seats free.

☞ **Market-street Church.**—Rev. THEO. L. CUYLER will deliver TO-MORROW EVENING, at 7½ o'clock, the second of his series of discourses on Bible Characters. Subject—*Mary of Bethany.* Young people are especially invited.

☞ **Forsyth-street M. E. Church.**—Preaching by the Pastor, Rev. R. M. HATFIELD, TO-MORROW at 10½ o'clock A. M., and at 7 o'clock P. M. The EVENING discourse will be one of a series upon *Prominent Scripture Characters.*

☞ **Christian Spiritualism.**—Rev. T. L. HARRIS will preach at Academy Hall, Broadway, opposite Bond-st., TO-MORROW MORNING. Subject—*The Bible an Interior Revelation.* EVENING—*The new Heavens and the new Earth.*

☞ **St. Stephen's Church**, corner of Broome and Chrystie sts. A sermon in behalf of the Seamen's Missions of the Episcopal Church, will be preached on SUNDAY MORNING. Service at 10½. The public are invited to attend. Seats free.

☞ **Reformed Dutch Church of Manhattan**—Corner of Avenue B and 5th-st. Rev. Dr. WIGGINS, of Paterson, N. J., will preach in the above church NEXT SABBATH morning, afternoon and evening, at the usual hours. The public are cordially invited.

☞ **Rev. A. H. Robinson**, on LORD'S DAY, will preach in the Olive Branch Church, corner Montgomery and Madison sts. Subject, in the evening—*Loss of the Soul.* Public invited. Seats free.

☞ **Sermon to the Young.**—Rev. Mr. BAUSMAN, of Maryland, will address the young, at Calvary Free P. E. Church, North 5th-st., Brooklyn, E. D., TO-MORROW (Sunday) EVENING. Services at 7½ o'clock.

☞ **"Inspiration and its Counterfeits."**—First Freewill Baptist Church, Sullivan-st., near Houston. Rev. D. M. GRAHAM, Pastor. Preaching at 10½ A. M., and at 3 and 7 P. M. Subject in the evening as above.

☞ **Rev. D. S. Burnet** will preach TO-MORROW in the chapel in West 17th-st., west of 6th-av. Topics, at 10½ P. M.—*God's Love is Reasonable*; at 7 P. M.—*Atheism is Madness.* Baptism will be administered at night.

☞ **Eastern Congregational Church**—Corner of Madison and Governeur sts. Preaching TO-MORROW by the Pastor, Rev. G. L. TUCKER, at 10½ o'clock A. M., and 3 o'clock P. M.

☞ **Modern Spiritualism.**—*The History of the Devil.*—A lecture for the enlightenment of spiritualists, by Rev. Dr. GORDON, in the Reformed Dutch Church in 7th-av., between 12th and 13th sts. Services at 7½ o'clock.

☞ **Preaching on the Prophecies**—At Union Buildings, No. 163 Bowery, TO-MORROW, at 2½ o'clock P. M., by the Messenger of the Covenant. Seats free. Those who love pure Bible truth are invited to attend.

Spiritualism.—Judge EDMONDS will lecture on this subject on SUNDAY next, at Dodworth's Academy, at 10½ o'clock A. M. and 7½ o'clock P. M.

☞ **Church Notice.**—Rev. H. R. NYE will preach TO-MORROW MORNING and EVENING, at the Church of the Restoration, Brooklyn.

☞ **Catholic Apostolic Church, 16th-st.**, between 6th and 7th avs. Evangelist preaching on SUNDAY EVENING, Dec. 21, at 7½ o'clock.

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RAGGED SCHOOLS AND BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS.—As the cold winds of Winter, with the biting frost, and piercing blast, howl around us, the truly benevolent begin to look round for the suffering poor, to relieve their wants and carry comfort to the widows and the orphans. At the request of friends I have purchased a large lot of stout woolen stockings of all sizes, which I will sell for benevolent purposes at the cost of manufacturing, in hopes to be able to add my small mite to the comforts of the needy. Call on JOHN M. CORWIN, No. 307 6th-av., cor. 19th-st.

TO THE CHARITABLE.—A WIDOW LADY, with children, disabled from her work with the needle by sickness, is in need of pecuniary aid for necessary expenses. Contributions directed to Dr. W., care of E. Staunton, No. 259 Broadway, will be faithfully applied to her relief.

ANY LADY WISHING TO ADOPT AN infant from its birth, can hear of an opportunity by addressing immediately A. M. N., New-York Post-Office.

AMUSEMENTS.

BROADWAY THEATRE.

E. A. Marshall .... Sole Lessee. Also of the Walnut-st. Theatre, Philadelphia.

OPENING OF THE SEASON, and engagement of the EMINENT ENGLISH ACTOR, MR. HARRY LORAINE, Who will perform a limited number of nights.

The lessee has the satisfaction of making known that MR. BLAKE, The popular comedian, will resume his office of Stage Manager, and appear occasionally in h's celebrated characters.

It is respectfully presumed that the circumstances which have caused a vacation of six months in this establishment are of such notoriety as not to need further explanation or publicity; it is due, however, to the people in general, and more especially the friends and patrons of this favorite "temple of the drama," to state, that they have been beyond the control of those interested in its direction, and have included anxieties, perplexities and incalculable losses, never anticipated or before encountered.

The lessee has, nevertheless, relied upon the justice, liberality and support with which his fellow citizens would sustain him when his labors should be resumed for their gratification and the upholding of refined and rational amusement, in furtherance of which, he begs leave to state that the general arrangements (for the season about to commence) will be on a scale of extended liberality and excellence in all that constitutes a first-class theatre.

The Company, full and talented, embracing the names of many established New-York performers, who will appear at this house for the first time.

LADIES.

Madame Ponisi,	Mrs. Lizzie Weston	Mrs. W. R. Blake,
Mrs. Place,	Davenport,	Miss Emma Hall,
Mrs. Le Brun,	Mrs. Seymour,	Miss Henry,
Mrs. Beane,	Mrs. Warren,	Miss Henry,
Miss L'Estrange,	The Misses Wallis,	Miss Mowell,
Miss Hayes,	Mrs. Wemyss,	Miss Walters,
	Miss Josephine.	

GENTLEMEN.

Mr. Blake,	Mr. T. Placide,	Mr. A. H. Davenport
Mr. Elmore,	Mr. Seymour,	Mr. Grosvenor,
Mr. Edwards,	Mr. Canoll,	Mr. Wallace,
Mr. Cloudsly,	Mr. Myron,	Mr. Cutter,
Mr. Henry,	Mr. S. Eytinge,	Mr. Allen,
Mr. Wright,	Mr. Taite,	Mr. Mills.

THE ORCHESTRA, composed of Artists of acknowledged superiority, under the direction and leadership of the musical composer, Mr. JOHN COOKE.

SCENIC DEPARTMENT.

George Heister .... Principal Artist by whom has been designed and beautifully executed TWO SUPERB CURTAINS, which will be shown for the first time—the crimson, green and gold drapery superseding the cloth screen before in use.

THE ACT DROP, AN ALLEGORICAL AND SHAKSPERIAN TABLEAU. Dramatic and Musical Stars, of American and European celebrity.

OPERA, COMEDY, DRAMA, FARCE, BALLET AND PANTOMIME, with GRAND SPECTACLES, will be brought forward at appropriate periods.

MONDAY EVENING, Dec. 22, 1856.

The Play, in five acts, by Sir E. Bulwer Lytton, Bt., called THE LADY OF LYONS; Or, Love and Pride.

Claude Melnotte .... Mr. Harry Loraine, (of the principal English Theatres—his first appearance in America.)

Beauseant	Mr. Canoll.
Clavis	Mr. Grosvenor.
Col. Damas	Mr. Edwards.
Gaspard	Mr. Cutter.
Mons. Deschapelles	Mr. Myron.
Col. Desmoulins	Mr. Allen.
Capt. Gervais	Mr. Cloudsley.
Capt. Dupont	Mr. Wright.
Landlord	Mr. Henry.
Notary	Mr. Taite.
Servant	Mr. Wells.
Pauline (her first appearance at this theatre)	Mrs. Lizzie Weston Davenport.
Madame Deschapelles	Mrs. W. R. Blake.
Widow Melnotte	Mrs. Henry.
Marian	Mrs. Beane.

Overtures and favorite airs By the Orchestra.

To be followed by the excellent Farce of A ROLAND FOR AN OLIVER.

Sir Mark Chase	Mr. Edwards
Alfred Highflyer (his first appearance in this theatre.)	Mr. H. Davenport
Fixture (his first appearance in this theatre.)	Mr. T. Placide
Selborne	Mr. Grosvenor
Post Boy	Mr. Wright
Chorus of gamekeepers, servants, &c., &c.	
Maria Darlington	Mrs. Lizzie Weston Davenport
Mrs. Selborne	Mrs. Warren
Mrs. Fixture (Her first appearance in this Theatre.)	Mrs. Place

The celebrated German Opera Troupe, Madam JOHANNSEN, Prima Donna, is engaged at this Theatre, and will begin a series of performances in the course of a few nights.

Mr. FORREST is engaged at this Theatre.

Mr. H. PLACIDE will also shortly appear in a succession of sterling Comedies, brilliantly cast, appropriate scenery, costumes, &c.

Treasurer	Mr. P. Warren
Assistant Treasurer	Mr. Tryon
Prompter and Assistant Stage-Director	Mr. N. B. Clarke
Scenic Artist...Mr. Geo. Heister. Machinist	Mr. Briggs
Properties and Decorations	Mr. S. Wallis

Doors open at 6½. Performances will commence at 7 o'clock precisely.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:

Boxes and Parquet	50 cents
Family Circle and Upper Tier	25 cents
Private Boxes	$5 and $6
A portion of the Third Circle has been appropriated for the accommodation of respectable colored persons. Admission	25 cents

WALLACK'S THEATRE.

Prices of admission: Boxes and Parquet, 50 cents. Upper Tier, 25 cents; Orchestra Stalls, $1.

SATURDAY, Dec. 20, 1856. BENEFIT OF MR. BLAKE, and last night of Bourcicault's great comedy of OLD HEADS AND YOUNG HEARTS, in which Mr. Blake will give his splendid and world-renowned representation of Jesse Rural, supported by the whole strength of the unequaled Company.

MR. LESTER, MR. WALCOT, MRS. HOEY, Mr. Dyott, Mr. Holland, Mrs. Vernon, Mr. Reynolds, Mrs. Phillips, Miss Mary Gannon, Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Sothern, &c., &c.

The excellent comedietta of DELICATE GROUND.

Monday—In consequence of numerous inquiries at the box-office, the splendid drama of PAULINE will be revived.

A new drama, entitled THE VICTOR VANQUISHED will also be produced. Various other novelties are in preparation.

CHINESE ROOMS,

No. 539 Broadway, late Buckley's Opera House. POSITIVELY THE LAST DAY OF DONETTI'S ORIGINAL AND ONLY TROUPE OF ACTING MONKEYS.

With new features, splendid costumes, &c. Two grand performances will be given. THIS AFTERNOON. At 3 o'clock; doors open at 2, and THIS EVENING.

Doors open at 6½ o'clock; curtain rises at 7½ o'clock. Admission 25 cents; orchestra seats 50 cents; children half price.

BROOKLYN ATHENÆUM.

Mme. ISIDORA CLARK, THE AMERICAN PRIMA DONNA, Will give her FIRST and positively ONLY GRAND CONCERT in Brooklyn, FRIDAY, Dec. 26, 1856, assisted by an unequaled combination of Vocal and Instrumental artists. Tickets $1, including reserved seats. The sale of seats will commence on Wednesday morning, Dec. 24. Full particulars, with the names of the artists, will be published on Monday, 22d.

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To let, on the off-nights of the opera, for concerts, lectures &c. Accommodation for 4,000 persons. Price per night $300, including light.

BALL SEASON.

The price for ball-nights has been reduced to $750, including all the privileges of the bars, supper-rooms and cloak-rooms, together with the lighting and flooring. Apply to N. H. WOLFE, of the Executive Committee, No. 1 South-st.

THE PALMER MARBLES.

On exhibition, THE INDIAN GIRL, And eleven other pieces of sculpture, at No. 548 Broadway. Open from 9 o'clock A. M. till 10 P. M. Admittance 25 cents.

BUCKLEYS' SERENADERS, NEW HALL, No. 585 Broadway.

From the great success of the Grand Fairy Opera of CINDERELLA, it will be repeated all this week. Preceding which NEGRO MINSTRELSY.

Concert commences at 7½ o'clock. Tickets 25 Cents; Orchestra Seats, 50 Cents.

On FRIDAY, Dec. 26, annual Benefit of L. SHORT, Treasurer.

PURDY'S NATIONAL THEATRE.—DRESS Circle, 25 cts; Pit, 12½ cts.; Orchestra Chairs, 50 cts.; Private Boxes, $5. THIS EVENING, Dec. 20, the entertainment will commence with the Drama entitled THE LORD OF THE ISLES. Robert Bruce....J. H. Allen | Janet......Miss F. Herring. To be followed by the Pantomime of THE GOLDEN AXE. The whole to conclude with the Drama of

BARNUM'S AMERICAN MUSEUM.—SATURDAY, Dec. 20.—Last time of RETRIBUTION, THIS AFTERNOON, at 3 o'clock. On account of the extraordinary pains being taken to produce the grand Fairy Spectacle of CINDERELLA on Monday next, there will be no performance this evening. The Museum will be open as usual to visitors, and all the Curiosities may be seen, including the RUSSIAN GIANT, the LIVING SERPENTS, the Dwarf Lady, Living Skeleton, Happy Family, &c. Admittance, 25 cents. Children under ten, 12½ cents.

THIRTY-FIFTH CONCERT.—THEODORE EISFELD'S Classical Soirée, the second of the seventh season, on TUESDAY, Dec. 23, at Dodworth's Academy. Messrs. OTTO FEDER, ROBERT GOLDBECK, and H. SCHMITZ, will assist THEODORE EISFELD'S Quartet Party.

FERD. RICHARDT'S GREAT NIAGARA Gallery and collection of Scandinavian Paintings is daily open at the Stuyvesant Institute, No. 659 Broadway, from 10 A. M. to 10 P. M. Admission 25 cents. Season tickets $1.

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DUSSELDORF GALLERY, NO. 497 BROADWAY.—The best collection of Paintings in this country. It contains 150 Paintings. Open day and evening. Admittance 25 cents.

AMUSEMENTS.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.

Doors open at 6½; to commence at 7½ o'clock. Tickets .... Fifty cents.

SATURDAY, Dec. 20, 1856, SIXTH ENGLISH OPERA NIGHT, BY THE CELEBRATED PYNE AND HARRISON OPERA TROUPE, when will be produced the popular Opera of THE BOHEMIAN GIRL.

The principal characters by

Miss LOUISA PYNE,	Mr. W. HARRISON,
Miss SUSAN PYNE,	Mr. GUILMETTE, (his 1st appearance,)
Mr. H. REEVES,	
Mrs. COLEMAN POPE,	Mr. HORNCASTLE,

with a full Chorus and Orchestra. Musical Conductor .... Mr. Rolf

A CARD TO THE PUBLIC.—In compliance with numerous requests, it has been decided to secure seats in the Dress Circle and Parquette, in advance, during the English Opera season. The charges for admission, will, therefore, be as follows:

Tickets to all parts of the house, without reserved seats .... 50 cents. Secured Seats in dress circle and parquette, 25 cents extra. Orchestra Arm-Chairs .... $1. Private Boxes .... $[illegible].

These may be secured for three days in advance, at the Box-Office, from 8 A. M. to 4 P. M.

All seats not sold during the day will be thrown open without reservation in the evening.

On Monday evening will be produced THE DAUGHTER OF THE REGIMENT.

NIBLO'S SALOON.

L. M. GOTTSCHALK'S LAST CONCERT IN NEW-YORK. On FRIDAY EVENING NEXT, Dec. 26, 1856. Assisted by Mme. D'ANGRI.

Joint appearance of SIGISMUND THALBERG and L. M. GOTTSCHALK.

Mr. THALBERG and Mme. D'ANGRI have kindly volunteered their services at this Concert, which will be the last given by Mr. GOTTSCHALK prior to his departure for Havana, Mexico, South America and Europe. It will also be the last appearance of Mr. THALBERG previous to his Eastern tour.

Mr. GOTTSCHALK has composed for this occasion a grand Duet for two Pianos, to be performed by Mr. THALBERG and himself.

Doors open at 7 o'clock. Concert to commence at 8 o'clock.

Reserved Seats, $1 50 and $1.

The sale of seats will commence on MONDAY, Dec. 22, at WM. HALL & SON'S Music Store, No. 239 Broadway, and at C. BREUSING'S Music Store, No. 701 Broadway. Ticket offices open from 9 A. M. till 4 P. M.

LAURA KEENE'S THEATRE.

No. 624 BROADWAY, NEAR HOUSTON-ST. Doors open at 6½ o'clock; the performance will commence with the Overture at 7 o'clock.

Admission—Dress Circle and Parquette, 50 cents; Balcony Seats, 75 cents; Family Circle, 25 cents; Orchestra Stalls, $1 each; Private Boxes, $6 and $8. Box office open from 8 till 4 o'clock.

SATURDAY EVENING, DEC. 20, THIRD TIME OF The beautiful romantic Drama of CAMILLE; OR, A MORAL OF LIFE.

In which the musical gems of the Opera "La Traviata," including the celebrated Waltz, arranged by Mr. Thomas Baker, will be introduced.

Principal characters by Messrs. G. Jordan, Burnett, T. B. Johnston, Lingham, Hardaker, McDonald, Bennett, Ringgold, Reeve, Mrs. H. P. Grattan, Mrs. T. B. Johnston, Mrs. Atwood, Misses J. Manners, C. Robinson, Winnie, and Miss Laura Keene.

MUSICAL SELECTIONS.

Conductor .... Thomas Baker.

To conclude with A MODEL OF A WIFE. Supported by Messrs. Stoddart, T. B. Johnston, C. Wheatleigh, Miss J. Manners and Miss Ada Clifton.

BURTON'S NEW THEATRE, BROADWAY.

SATURDAY—Last night of the SERIOUS FAMILY, And last night of THE WRECKERS; OR, A DREAM AT SEA.

These two popularities must be laid aside for the present, to make room for other productions.

Mr. Burton in two of his best characters, Aminadab Sleek and Alley Croaker.

Mr. C. Fisher in two characters, Miss Polly Marshall, Mr. T. Placide, Mrs. Hughes, Mr. A. Parker, &c., &c.

On MONDAY—Mrs. BARROW, formerly Miss Julia Bennett, will make her first appearance here, as Mrs. Oakley, in THE JEALOUS WIFE.

DR. ABBOTT'S CELEBRATED EGYPTIAN MUSEUM.—The most popular, attractive and instructive Exhibition in the City, and the constant resort of persons of literary taste and refinement, is now open at the Stuyvesant Institute, No. 659 Broadway. Admittance 25 cents.

GRAND NATIONAL PANORAMA, REPREsenting the Escape of the Pilgrims from England, their Sojourn in Holland, Landing in America, Remarkable Battles and Surrenders. Athenæum, No. 654 Broadway. AFTERNOONS, at 2½ o'clock; EVENINGS, at 7½ o'clock. Admission, 25 cents; children, 12½ cents.

DANCING.

A. DODWORTH'S DANCING ACADEMIES.

No. 806 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK. No. 137 MONTAGUE-PLACE, Brooklyn.

New-York classes on WEDNESDAYS and SATURDAYS. Brooklyn classes on TUESDAYS and FRIDAYS, at 3 and 7 P. M. [illegible] children, at 3 P. M. [illegible]

Practicing assemblies for ladies and gentlemen, EVERY MONDAY EVENING in Brooklyn, and EVERY SATURDAY EVENING in New-York. Persons [illegible] subscribers to the assemblies alone.

BALLS.

THE BALL OF THE NEW-YORK CITY GUARD. ACADEMY OF MUSIC. THURSDAY EVENING, Jan. 22, 1857. TICKETS, TWO DOLLARS.

Can be obtained of the Members, or at the principal Hotels and Music Stores.

THE PROMENADE CONCERT AND BALL for the benefit of the NURSERY AND CHILD'S HOSPITAL, will take place at the Academy of Music, on THURSDAY EVENING, Jan. 15, under the direction of the following

MANAGERS:

Mrs. C. E. Anderson,	Henry Delafield,
Mrs. S. J. Bacon,	L. L. Delafield,
Mrs. S. L. M. Barlow,	G. B. Docr,
Mrs. Isaac Bell, Jr.,	R. De Trobriand,
Mrs. J. Bigelow,	W. B. Duncan,
Mrs. James Brooks,	C. E. Degen,
Mrs. C. J. Coggill,	Wm. J. Emmet,
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Mrs. E. Cooper,	Dr. G. T. Elliot,
Mrs. C. Du Bois,	Henry Fearing,
Mrs. W. B. Duncan,	Dudley Field,
Mrs. De Trobriand,	J. P. G. Foster,
Mrs. G. T. Elliott, Jr.,	T. M. Fox,
Mrs. [illegible],	Hiram Fuller,
Mrs. C. Green,	J. W. Gerard,
Mrs. G. A. Hoffman,	J. W. Gerard, Jr.,
Mrs. Wickham Hoffman,	S. Howland,
Mrs. A. Iselin,	G. G. Howland,
Mrs. L. C. Jones,	Ogden Haggerty,
Mrs. J. I. Kernochan,	R. S. Hone,
Mrs. G. Kuhn,	E. Hoelbecher,
Mrs. Jacob Little,	Wm. B. Hoffman,
Mrs. A. Le Barbier,	Wm. Jaffray,
Mrs. A. Mathews,	Peyton Jaudon,
Mrs. A. B. Mott,	L. C. Jones,
Mrs. W. H. Paine,	W. H. Jones,
Mrs. Clarence Pell,	John Kane,
Mrs. W. Pell,	Alex. M. Lawrence,
Mrs. G. N. Miller,	Arthur Leary,
Mrs. C. A. Minton,	R. B. Leroy,
Mrs. D. C. Murray,	Mort. Livingston,
Mrs. J. C. Peters,	P. Marie,
Mrs. Wright E. Post,	R. H. Messinger,
Mrs. F. E. Rives,	Daniel Messinger,
Mrs. L. Rutherfurd,	Dr. A. B. Mott,
Mrs. G. T. Strong,	G. F. Morris,
Mrs. R. H. Sherwood,	H. M. Newbould,
Mrs. S. A. Stone,	W. H. Paine,
Mrs. J. Schermerhorn,	J. V. Parker,
Mrs. F. Schuchardt,	Commodore Perry,
Mrs. S. Sands,	Walton Pell,
Mrs. E. Tighe,	Royal Phelps,
Mrs. Von Der Heydt,	P. J. Seymour,
Mrs. Viele,	J. Roberts,
E. N. Anderson,	J. F. Ruggles,
L. Aspinwall,	C. E. Strong,
James Bleecker,	C. F. Stephenson,
Edward A. Bibby,	S. A. Stone,
James Brooks,	Arthur Shiff,
Henry W. Brevoort,	[illegible],
Joseph Bridgham,	Alex. Taylor,
J. Bigelow,	W. Whitewright,
Wm. Cutting,	F. P. Wendell,
F. H. Cary,	L. P. Wardell,
F. S. Cozzens,	C. F. Winthrop,
C. A. Davis,	R. C. Winthrop,
G. Du Bois,	N. H. Wolfe.

Tickets $5 each, admitting only one person. To be had of the Managers.

THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL BALL OF THE NEW-YORK FIRE DEPARTMENT, in aid of the Widows and Orphans, will take place at the Academy of Music, 14th-st., on MONDAY EVENING, Jan. 26, 1857. Tickets may be had by applying to the Managers. HENRY A. BURR, President. JAMES WENMAN, Secretary.

☞ EVERY HOUSEKEEPER SHOULD feel the importance of procuring food for the household, in the manner most conducive to health, especially Bread, Biscuit and Cake, which forms the greater part of our diet. For this purpose JAMES PYLE'S Dietetic Saleratus is particularly recommended, as being the ONLY SALERATUS in use that is really safe to take into the stomach. It is deprived of all the caustic impurities, so prominent in common saleratus, while, in point of nicety, it excels the best Baking Soda. The ladies readily acknowledge this, after trying it, and the steadily increasing demand bears practical testimony in its favor.

Tell your grocer that he must get it for you, but see that it is put up in 1 pound, ½ pound, and ¼ pound packages, with the name of JAMES PYLE thereon, without which none is genuine.

Manufacturing Depot—No. 114 Warren-st., New-York.

BANK OF THE COMMONWEALTH—NEW-YORK, Dec. 19, 1856.—The Board of Directors of this Bank have declared a dividend of four per cent., payable to the Stockholders on the 2d day of January next. The Transfer Books will be closed from the 23d inst. to the 2d of January inclusive. GEORGE ELLIS, Cashier.

GOLD WATCHES—SECOND-HAND.—THE Subscriber has a number of Gold English Patent Lever Watches and Detached Levers; also, one fine pocket Chronometer Watch—all of which have been worn, and which he is selling very low. G. C. ALLEN, No. 11 Wall-st., second floor.

BONNET COMB.—A NEW AND VERY DESIRable Patented (India) Rubber Comb, for the purpose of holding the bonnet in its place, when on the head, which is much approved by the ladies, just received by R. M. KNIGHT & CO., No. 28 Vesey-st., New-York.

New-York Daily Times.

NEW-YORK, SATURDAY, DEC. 20, 1856.

CAUTION.

We continue to receive notices that persons claiming to be agents for the TIMES receive money from subscribers and give receipts in the name of the [illegible]. We desire to notify the public that we have no traveling agents, and that WE ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY PERSONS REPRESENTING THEMSELVES TO BE AGENTS. Persons desiring to subscribe will remit directly to this office.

The Times for California.

THE TIMES FOR CALIFORNIA will be issued this morning, in season to mail by the U. S. Mail steamship George Law. Mail closes at 1 o'clock P. M. This paper will contain complete Summaries of all Foreign and Domestic Intelligence received since the sailing of the last steamer for California; Reports of all Public Meetings, &c.; Commercial Affairs, full lists of Marriages and Deaths; Editorial Articles on Current Topics, and a great amount of Miscellaneous Matter.

PRICE—In wrappers ready for mailing, 6 cents per copy. Agents will please send in their orders as early as possible.

Extraordinary Phase of the Huntingdon Trial.

Our criminal report, this morning, opens one of the most extraordinary chapters in the whole history of criminal jurisprudence. The counsel of HUNTINGDON, on trial for forgery, admits the fact of his guilt,—acknowledge everything alleged in the indictment,—exaggerate to the greatest possible extent the criminal acts of their client,—and swell the amount of his forged paper to the incredible sum of *Twenty Millions of Dollars*,—for the purpose of making out the plea of—*Insanity!*

We publish a verbatim report of the speech of the prisoner's counsel in entering upon this novel and most extraordinary line of defence. It has evidently been prepared with care, and is the result of deliberate and protracted consultation on the part of the eminent lawyers who are acting for the defence. Indeed, Mr. BRYAN states, in the speech, that this line of argument was adopted only as a last resort,—that, after studying the whole case, his counsel told HUNTINGDON that there was no possibility of his escape,—that the proof was too plain, and too overwhelming, to leave the remotest chance of an acquittal, and that the best thing he could do would be to plead guilty, and throw himself on the mercy of the Court. This, however, he refused to do, and persisted in the declaration of his innocence and of the certainty of his acquittal. His apparent insensibility to his position, and the strange pertinacity with which he denied his guilt, staggered his counsel, and finally led them to fall back upon a chance remark dropped by a witness, and repeated by the Justice, that he believed HUNTINGDON was *crazy*. They have accordingly taken this as the line of their defence,—and will do everything in their power to convince the Jury that he is not morally responsible for his acts.

It is confessed that HUNTINGDON's insanity is not of a species recognized in books of medical jurisprudence. A new kind of insanity is invented for his particular case. It is styled a *monomania for forgery*,—a species of insanity which impelled him to commit acts of forgery without any motive, except the desire to handle large sums of money, and without taking any of the ordinary precautions to prevent discovery. A very curious and interesting narrative is given of HUNTINGDON's early life and entire career up to the present time, in which are included a great variety of particulars concerning his style of living,—the luxury of his furniture,—the speed of his horses, and the lavish scale of his expenditure generally. All this is intended to create the impression that he acted recklessly, without reflection, and in a way to indicate on his part an entire lack of prudence and common sense.

Everybody, of course, was taken by surprise upon hearing the declaration by the prisoner's counsel of the line of defence they should adopt. What is likely to be its success must be matter of conjecture,—nor would it be quite proper, perhaps, at this stage of the proceedings, to canvass the merits of such a plea. It is very obvious, however, that if this new species of insanity is to obtain recognition, all such things as *crimes* will speedily disappear. We shall have monomania for murder, for theft, for rape, for arson, for every act indeed which is now deemed criminal, pleaded as a bar to conviction. The theory of the defence abolishes the idea of moral guilt, and resolves all crime into disease. Many speculative philosophers have indulged in the same views,—but they have never hitherto obtained recognition in our courts of justice.

The speech of HUNTINGDON's counsel will be found exceedingly interesting and worthy of perusal.

Advertising for Contracts.

One of the most glaring abuses in the present defective system of City Government, is in the manner in which heads of departments advertise for proposals for contracts. The law provides that no work shall be done "to an amount exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars," which is not advertised for a certain number of days, and that at the expiration of that time, all bids shall be opened, and the contract allotted to the lowest bidder. Yet, it is well known that very few jobs are assigned to individuals outside of a certain favored circle, and that the most imperfect information is conveyed to the public generally, with respect to the nature of the work under competition. In fact the smallest possible amount of publicity is given, in offering to receive proposals, and obscure papers unknown to and unread by the mass of the people are chosen, in order to defeat the ends of the law.

It is a usual custom, before advertising a job, for the head of the Department, under whom the labor is to be executed, to call together a few of his friends, and to *arrange beforehand*, who shall put in the lowest bid, the manner in which it is to be done, with such other details as are necessary to defraud the Treasury. Bids are frequently put in, in the name of some fictitious person, ranging from a high to a low estimate—speculators standing ready to take advantage of any embarrassment, which may be owing to the non-appearance of the false bidder, and to get the contract at the highest possible limit. Again, it is a practice to put in estimates, not with the expectation of making and performing a contract, but to be bought off by some more responsible party, who has been underbid. Various other corrupt and fraudulent tricks, well known to the initiated, are in vogue by which to plunder from the pockets of tax-payers. The head of the Department almost invariably acts in collusion, and shares the spoils with the outside thieves, so that under the present system, it is almost impossible to prevent it. It has become notorious, that several ex-officials, who went into office worth nothing, and overwhelmed with debt, have emerged from the slough of place (which they had occupied for two years, at a salary of $2,000 a year) possessed of large fortunes, besides having enriched many of their friends. The Tompkins Market veto of the Mayor, which we published the other day, exposed repeated cases of false bids, false securities, false affidavits before a false Commissioner, and forgeries without end, in connection with a single transaction. Like instances occur continually, and until a fundamental change takes place in our municipal system, must continue to occur.

The very object of the "lowest bid," "contract" method, is to invite the largest amount of competition, and prevent the exorbitant prices which monopoly produces. This object is now totally defeated, and means should be devised to remedy the mischief. Under the Competition system, too much publicity cannot be given to the offering of contracts. At present, there is, virtually none, and what little seems to exist is rendered of no avail, by the fraudulent manner in which bids are given in and received and contracts are made.

Qualifications for the Bar.

The fact that ten out of eleven applicants for admission to the bar, were rejected by the Board of Examiners at the present term of the Supreme Court, has created no little sensation among the neophytes of that respectable profession. Hitherto, a mere admission to the list of candidates has been equivalent to initiation into the fraternity, honor, and rank of barristers. The examination was purely formal and superficial; the questions propounded of the most elementary character; the certificate of fitness inevitable. A plump fee to the clerk secured a square foot of parchment, artistically decorated with drapery, hung partly upon the persons of Thalia, Astræa, and two or three other judicial females grouped at the top; partially upon Corinthian columns at the side; while at the bottom prevailed the names of their honors, the justices, the seal of the Court in cerulean ribbon, and the attestation of the very obliging official, whose duty it is to utter such documents. Armed with these letters of marque, the young attorney had nothing to do but to fit out his snug little privateer of an office, and cruise in search of professional prey and pay. The idea of any familiar acquaintance with the immense science of law; with even our own revised statutes and code of practice, never seriously impressed itself upon the minds of the learned gentlemen entrusted with the keys of the temple. It was regarded as sufficient to assert the right of the bar to judge of the qualifications of its own members, and to waive it liberally and charitably in the individual instance.

The sudden enforcement of a more rigid test naturally carries dismay to those still in their noviciate. But that the added rigor is absolutely needed, and the Board of Examiners abundantly justified in the course pursued, a very trifling reflection will satisfy us. The standard of qualification has certainly been too low. It may be true that more law is learned by the practitioner from a single case, than years of immethodical reading will teach him; and there is plausibility in the inference, that the sooner the student is admitted to practice the sooner he will be a competent lawyer. But it is equally true that a single case of amputation, or artery-tying, or tumor-cutting, is of more real value to the young surgeon than long chapters of WISTAR or COOPER, on each topic; and yet do we seriously question the wisdom of turning those young brandishers of of scalpel, probe, and lancet, loose upon society without first ascertaining whether they have a slight preparatory acquaintance with authors upon anatomy and surgery. Property requires the same guarantees as life. There are those who value it higher, and seek in suicide escape from the evil of losing or not having it. What your doctor is to the health of your household, that the attorney is to its wealth. His ignorance, incompetency, stupidity, may make you a pauper, expel your wife from her Fifth-avenue palace, and consign your children to some beneficent home for the friendless; may draw down ruin upon you and your posterity. There is not perhaps a practicing lawyer at this bar, not a judge on the bench, who could not tell his tale of suits lost to the righteous side, and fortunes sacrificed, through the legal or technical blunders, or the dullness, slowness, negligence, and inadequacy of counsel. Not a day passes, but some beaten client leaves the City Hall cursing his error in selecting a lawyer who failed to study or master the merits of a simple case, the points of which were obvious even to his unprofessional, but more profoundly interested mind; who marshaled his evidence to the worst advantage, and was completely ambushed, surprised, and quelled by the superior tact of opposing counsel. It is easy to say he should have chosen his advocate better; but in most cases the advocate and the cause are first tried at the same time; and having no other criterion to judge of his man but the fact of his being a licensed barrister; and avoiding the heavy fee required by a practitioner of elevated repute; he is obliged to employ counsel on the sole strength of the vellum. The poor and ignorant are especially liable to deception; as they have no means of discriminating, and look with equal veneration upon *all* who lay claim to the rank and dignity of lawyer. As a protection to the public, therefore, greater conscience and fidelity is to be demanded of these gangers and indorsers of legal competency; and we trust they will be supported in their present praiseworthy position by the authority of the bench.

Of the advantage of a more rigorous standard to the profession itself, there will be no question. It is an act of charity to two thousand four hundred of the twenty-five hundred practitioners at the bar in this City, to dam the swelling tide of recruits. It is an act of still higher merit to discourage the thousands of inexperienced and sanguine youths, who, turning their backs upon an honorable pursuit, mercantile or mechanical, resolve to waste a valuable life in profitless wandering among the delightful and flowery fictions of the law. It will be a fair test of the dogged labor, patience, and pecuniary endurance of the future lawyer, to exact more labor and more patience from the candidate; and we shall be strengthened to mingle congratulations with our pity for those, who, discouraged by the elevated barrier, resign the hopeless chances of rivaling the WEBSTERS, BINNEYS and CHOATES of the American bar. But the examiners by all means persist in their innovation.

About Stockjobbing Again.

Our neighbor the *Herald* is getting adventurous—not to say reckless—in its denials. It informs the DAILY TIMES that "neither the proprietor of the *Herald*, NOR ANY PERSON CONNECTED THEREWITH, ever has been or could be concerned in stockjobbing *speculations* of any kind." This is pretty good. It is a bold operation,—quite as bold as any of JACOB LITTLE's. We trust it was ventured upon, after due reflection and inquiry. We have no idea *just now* of controverting its accuracy. But there are sundry little bits of information on various topics, which we should be very glad of in connection with this sweeping disclaimer;—and we presume the *Herald* will give them to us promptly and cheerfully.

The *Potosi Lead Company* was an institution now defunct,—but once in high repute in Wall-street according to the money articles of the *Herald*. It was puffed day after day, and large sales of its stock reported at high prices, in the *Herald's* columns. Perhaps the *Herald* will inform us who reported these sales;—who wrote and inserted these puffs;—who wrote the *report* of the Company, and whether all this was not done by a gentleman "connected" with the *Herald*, who was also one of the *Trustees* of the Company at the time?

Perhaps the *Herald* can also tell us who was President, Trustee and Treasurer of the *Missouri Lead Company*,—a bogus Western concern which exploded not very long ago; and also whether he was in any manner "connected" with the *Herald*. Who was at one time Superintendent of the same concern? Perhaps somebody "connected" with the *Herald* can answer this.

There are a great variety of companies, many of them not now in existence, which in their day were extravagantly and steadily *puffed* by somebody "connected" with the *Herald*, until they reached a price at which the stock could be sold profitably,—and then they were generally allowed to explode. Among them, including those mentioned above, were the following:

The Parker Vein Company,
The Gold Hill Mining Company,
The Hiwassie Company,
The Nicaragua Company,
The Mannasses Copper Company,
The Ulster Mining Company,
The M'Cullough Lead Company,
The Potosi Lead Company,
The Missouri Lead Company.

We might extend the list indefinitely. They were all puffed incessantly during their brief existence in the columns of the *Herald*. The presumption is that *somebody* "connected therewith" wrote the articles in regard to them. If so, who was it? And what were his motives? Men do not usually write column after column, day after day, on such subjects and publish them, without some motive. Perhaps it was the desire to enlighten the public in regard to the merit of these concerns, and induce prudent, careful men to invest their savings in their stock. If so, the attempt was successful; but we presume the parties thus influenced will be a little careful how they act upon the advice of the "proprietor of the *Herald* or anybody connected therewith" again. But if these puffs were *not* written and inserted by anybody "connected with" that paper, who did write them? Does everybody who happens to have a stock-jobbing speculation on hand, enjoy the privilege of writing it into notice through the columns of the *Herald*? Is this the system pursued by our neighbor in conducting his journal?

There's something shockingly loose or else shockingly wicked about the *Herald's* course in regard to stocks and the money interests of the country. On one hand we see it constantly puffing into favor the scores of bogus and swindling concerns got up by stock-jobbing speculators, until thousands of men of small means, who have saved a few hundred dollars, are induced to invest them in their stock, and then they explode and prove to have been utterly worthless from the beginning. On the other hand, we find it constantly denouncing and depreciating the stock of all the really *valuable* Railroads, Banks, &c., in the country—charging their managers with fraud, fabricating stories of defalcation, denouncing their sworn statements as false and fallacious, and striving by all the means in its power to destroy all confidence in their management, and all faith in their value, to drive down the prices of their stock and thus frighten the thousands who have paid their money for them into selling out at large and often ruinous sacrifices of their property. This certainly is a very curious policy for a newspaper to pursue. It is consistent enough in its general aim, which is simply to *swindle everybody*—those who have invested in good stocks into selling out, and everybody else into bogus investments. But it does not consult the public good very largely. In fact the only parties whose interest such a course does consult are those who *have bogus stock to sell*, and who want *money* to buy good stock. Whether men of this sort are inside or outside of the establishment, the *Herald* is evidently conducted for their benefit.

The City Poor.

We have already expressed our conviction that the Managers of the Association for improving the condition of the Poor, in their last annual report, committed an injustice towards the Roman Catholics, in saying that they make no provision for their poor, either by their churches or otherwise. The fact, we are confident, is not so. While it is undoubtedly true that they do not support or relieve all their poor, but that an immense proportion of them are thrown for relief upon the Protestant portion of the community, we believe that large sums and much labor are devoted to this end by the Roman Catholics themselves. That meek and lovely organ of the Roman Catholics, the *Freeman's Journal*, distresses us by refusing to accept any assurances from us, on behalf of the Association. We should be the more unhappy at this if we had offered any. As we neither seek to excuse the Association, nor to satisfy the *Freeman's Journal*, we shall probably survive its repudiation of our offices.

The *Freeman's Journal* is endeavoring to withdraw the Catholics from aiding the Association, by denouncing it as a proselyting concern. It may succeed. It is consoling to reflect, however, that even in that event its operations would not be seriously crippled. But *if it should prevent all Catholics from receiving aid from its funds*, it would strike a fatal blow at its existence. The Managers of the Association might not object to this, provided its Catholic beneficiaries can be cared for in some other way.

The *Irish American*, which if it claims less religion, has quite as much, and a good deal more of common sense than the *Freeman's Journal*, takes exception to the statement that Emigration is the great source of pauperism in this City. Figures, however, show that the fact is beyond dispute. That Emigration has its offsetting advantages, is perfectly true;—and we concede to the fullest extent the truth of the position which is thus laid down by the Editor of that paper:

> "I contend that in every country, in every land, under every form of Government, the wealthy—the possessors of property—are bound by every moral and religious law—are bound by the instincts of self-preservation—to relieve this pauperism thus produced, and institute public asylums and establishments where this relief may be administered."

The *Irish American* also takes exception to the remark made in the report, and repeated by one of the speakers at the meeting of the Association, to the effect that in proportion to population "there are *two* paupers in New-York to *one* in Ireland." Its objection, however, is to the inference which it seems to warrant that Ireland is prosperous. It says:

> "Mr. RAYMOND should know and state that over a million of the Irish people died in five years;—that another million of laborers emigrated to this country, to Canada, to South America, and to Australia, within the past ten years;—that, to supply human targets, at a shilling a day apiece, for Crimean bullets, the Irish workhouses were nearly emptied of their adult population to make up the decimated ranks of the "line" and to compose the "militia" force;—that the two years' war increased the demand and raised the price of labor in Ireland and the prices of agricultural produce likewise;—and that Ireland is now in a "lucid interval" of prosperity, brought about by these unfailing social medicaments. Mr. RAYMOND should have known and stated these facts in a spirit of justice and fair play."

We give this as the *American's* explanation. Our own is somewhat different. It is a great mistake to call all persons here who need relief at any time during the year *paupers*,—or to place them on a level with the paupers of Ireland. The returns of the Association show that the whole amount disbursed by them the last year was $51,059;—and that, with this sum, 43,516 persons were relieved. Each person was thus relieved at an average cost of less than *a dollar and a quarter each*. To call such persons *paupers* is absurd,—as is also the inference that the comparative amount of pauperism in New-York and Ireland is to be determined on such a basis.

We are sorry to find anywhere, and especially in the Report of the Association, anything that can give rise to a controversy of this kind. We have among us a great many paupers,—and a great many more who are *not* paupers, but for whom sickness, lack of employment, inclemency of the weather, and other temporary causes, may require temporary relief. They are of all kinds,—foreign and native by birth, Catholic and Protestant in religion. But they all have a claim upon charity. The necessities of all should be relieved, and that without any inquiry as to their religion or their nativity. It is enough that they are here, and in distress. We trust the Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor will continue its intelligent and efficient labors upon the broadest and most liberal basis.

CONGRESS.—In the Senate yesterday, Mr. WILSON made an effective speech on the leading questions of the day, in connection with the debate on the President's Message. Adjourned to Monday.

In the House, three days in January were set apart for the consideration of Territorial business. The bill passed by the Senate at the first session to authorize the people of Kansas to form a State Government was referred to the Committee on Territories. The other Senate bills lying over were referred to the appropriate Committees. The private calendar was considered.

BOOKS OF THE WEEK.

There is no lack of memoirs, or lives of WASHINGTON, and yet we are not sure that just such a Memoir of the Father of his Country as Mrs. KIRKLAND has given us in her *Memoirs of Washington*, was not wanted to complete the collection of works on the same subject. A woman's portrait of a hero must necessarily be very different from a man's. She notices the little shades of character which are likely to escape the eye of the other sex, but which are essential to a perfect delineation of his individuality. We know what WASHINGTON was as a soldier, a son, a commander, a statesman, and a farmer. But Mrs. KIRKLAND has aimed at a moral portraiture of the man; there is very little of the camp or the cabinet in her Memoirs, but a good deal of the fireside and the library. WASHINGTON as a son, a lover, a husband, a neighbor, a friend and a christian is the WASHINGTON which Mrs. KIRKLAND gives us. It is a book for the young, and is most appropriately dedicated to her young friends and her children. Women are not supposed to be competent to the description of battles, or to fathoming the depths of political speculation, and Mrs. KIRKLAND has very properly confined herself to the sphere in which she is perfectly competent to labor to the advantage of herself and others. She is content to be a woman, and in dealing with so lofty a subject as that which she has attempted, she never permits us to feel that she has assumed a task for which she is not thoroughly competent. She writes pure English, and, as she has abundantly shown in her previous works, her descriptive powers are remarkable. There is no dimness or uncertainty in the pictures she attempts to present to her readers. WASHINGTON loses nothing of his dignity or majesty in her hands, but he is made a more genial and possible character, than in the works of some of her predecessors. She has, very naturally, given us a little closer view of that stately lady, Mrs. MARTHA WASHINGTON, and told us more of the influence she exercised on her august husband than other writers have done. "If we were to give our private opinion," says Mrs. KIRKLAND, "we should say that Mrs. MARTHA CUSTIS WASHINGTON, with her large fortune, her strong domestic tastes and affections, and her dutiful common sense character, exercised her full share of influence over the Commander-in-Chief of the armies of the United States of America. She had a very decided way of speaking, and as she never meddled in public affairs, we can easily imagine the General letting her have her own way in pretty much everything else. A guest at Mount Vernon happened to sleep in a room adjoining that occupied by the President and his lady. Late in the evening when people had retired to their various chambers, he heard the lady delivering a very animated lecture to her lord and master upon something which he had done, that she thought should have been done differently. To all this he listened in the profoundest silence; and when she, too, was silent, he opened his lips and spoke "now, good sleep to you my dear!"

This anecdote of the great man in his night-cap is quite characteristic of him, but it is equally so of most lords and masters, who, we imagine all receive curtain lectures as Mr. CAUDLE and WASHINGTON did, in profound silence. Experience, probably, teaches them that it is the better way.

Messrs. LITTLE, BROWN & Co., of Boston, have done, what we have long wondered that none of our publishers have not done, in giving the public a good edition of *Winckelmann's History of Ancient Art*. But the epithet good, is not the proper one to apply to this publication, which is, moderately speaking, superb. It is an original translation from the German, by G. HENRY LODGE, with a Life by the Editor. The translating and editing of this great work appears to have been a labor of love with Mr. LODGE, who says that he did not undertake it with any intention of publishing it. He dedicates the first volume to his wife, and the second to his father, thus showing the interest which he feels in his subject. As an example of Book-making, as to mechanicals, we have not seen a better example, and though having no meretricious ornaments to lure the eye, it is a comfort to look upon its fair pages without any consideration of their contents. It is a work that will be most acceptable to all scholars and lovers of art.

We have not the least idea in the world who the *Stroller in Europe* is who has written a book called *Doré*, (be sure and accent the é, or the name is lost,) which the HARPERS have published. If we did know, we would certainly betray his secret; for the writer of such a bright, humorous, sparkling, and genuinely good-natured volume, deserves to be known by name. Since APPLETON JEWETT gave us his *Winter in Paris*, and JOHN SANDERSON published his *American in Paris*, no writer, on either side of the Atlantic, has given forth so agreeable a volume on the French capital as *Doré*. The author has been a great traveler it is very evident, and if this be his first appearance before the public he has been a marvelously modest man, and his reticence is more to be wondered at than commended. We gladly welcome him to the select circle of our literary acquaintances.

Seeing a new book on our desk, entitled, *Modern Atheism*, by JAMES BUCHANAN, from GOULD & LINCOLN, we were rather startled, thinking, possibly, that the President-elect had come out against some of his political friends, who had helped him into office. But a little closer examination showed that Old Buck had no hand in the volume before us. It is a reprint of a work aimed at Pantheism and natural laws, by the Divinity Professor in the New College, Edinburg; a work we cannot give an opinion of just here, and just now.

The *Sister Abroad, or an Italian Journey*, from NILES and WHITTEMORE, of Boston, is a nice little book about Italy, without anything in particular to characterize it, except its niceness. There are many such books written without being published.

HOLIDAY BOOKS.

Holiday books are falling around us with their splendid covers like the crimson and yellow hued leaves of October. We are glad to see so many of them, for they are certainly the best toys that belong to the season, and many of them have more than a holiday character.

Darley's Margaret, published by REDFIELD, is confessedly the most beautiful work which American Art has yet given to the world. These illustrations are of exquisite beauty and purity of design, and they are prefaced by a well-written and appreciative notice of the work which they illustrate. JUDD's novel of *Margaret*, a New-England prose poem, full of delicate thoughts, quaint characters, and brilliant descriptions, it is extremely defective as a regular story, but yet thoroughly satisfying to the sentiment. Mr. DARLEY has illustrated it from a pure love of the subject, and without any idea of fame or pecuniary advantage; but his drawings excited so much delight in the privileged few who had access to his portfolio, that he was induced to publish them; and he has been most fortunate in meeting with such an artist as KONRAD HUBER, to transfer his delicate lines to a steel-plate. The drawings are in outline, in the serene style of FLAXMAN and RETZSCH, but greatly superior to the drawings of either of those men of genius, in the force of expression and variety of character embodied in the shadowless outlines which convey to us the artist's thoughts and fancies. It is difficult to understand by what witchery of art such colorless and shadowless drawings can be made to suggest such warm and glowing pictures to the imagination. It is the very triumph of genius and resembles nothing so much as PAGANINI's playing upon one string. We feel proud in knowing that these exquisitely beautiful designs are from the pencil of a wholly American artist.

SCRIBNER, of Broadway, has published *The Life of Luther, in Forty-Eight Historical Engravings*, by GUSTAV KOENIG, *with Explanations by Archdeacon* HARE, *and Continuation by* SUSANNA WINKWORTH. Apart from the elegance of this splendid volume, it is eminently worthy of the season, and, after the Bible, there should be no book so precious to the heart of a christian and a philanthropist as a life of LUTHER. The illustrations are not of the popular or showy kind, and make but a poor appearance by the side of some of the voluptuous ornamentations of many of the publications of the season, but they are full of suggestions and artistic graces of expression.

APPLETON & Co. have published a most beautiful edition of *Records of the Heart, and other Poems*, by ESTELLE ANNA LEWIS. The volume is richly bound, and superbly illustrated; and one of the finest pictures in it is the charming portrait, by ELLIOTT, of the fair author. Mrs. LEWIS has been called "the American SAPPHO," and EDGAR A. POE, who was so much more lavish of his censure than his praise, placed her at the head of the lady poets of America.

The *Evening Book* and the *Home Circle* are a pair of companion books by Mrs. KIRKLAND, published by the same house. They are intended for fireside reading, and are alike instructive and interesting. Mrs. KIRKLAND has an unexceptionable taste in the selections she makes, while her own remarks are always eminently entertaining and instructive.

Mary and Hugo; or, the Lost Angel, by Mrs. E. OAKES SMITH, from JACKSON & DERBY, is a christian legend, once published under a different name as from the pen of ERNEST HELFENSTEIN, the author's *nom de plume*, when she chose not to appear under her proper one. The volume is prettily illustrated with drawings by DARLEY.

DERBY & JACKSON have published FRANK GOODRICH's *Court of Napoleon*, the most splendid book of the kind that has appeared, a review of which we have already published in another part of the DAILY TIMES.

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DIX, EDWARDS & Co. have published two illustrated little volumes of delicate reading, one called *Town and Country*, by R. H. STODDARD, and the other *Gold and Silver*, by A. W. H.

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AT
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FANCY GOODS AND TOYS,
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These goods are just imported, and no effort has been spared to obtain the most extensive and varied assortment of Fancy Articles and Toys for the Holiday Season, selected from every part of the world, all of which will be SOLD AT THE LOWEST PRICES OF IMPORTATION.
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Diamond Rings and Pins, fine quality, at low prices.
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LONDON DOCK BRANDIES,
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In great variety.
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Gold Lepines	$20 00
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Fine Gold Thimbles	3 00 to	8 00 each
Gold Guard Keys, Fob Keys and Seals	1 00 to	20 00 each
Gold Pens and Pencils	1 00 to	15 00 each
Gold Pencils	[illegible]	[illegible]
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Gold Crosses and Necklaces	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gold and Stone Sleeve-Buttons and Studs	3 00 to	15 00 a set
Gold Spectacles and Eye-Glasses	[illegible]	[illegible]
Diamond Ear-rings, Pins, Finger-Rings and Crosses	[illegible]	[illegible]
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Parties in want of seasonable articles of HOUSEKEEPING HARDWARE, are invited to call and examine our stock, selected, in the best markets for our own trade.
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CHRISTMAS AND NEW-YEAR.—A. E. DEAN, No. 741 Broadway, is now prepared to receive orders for the following articles: boned turkeys, game, oysters, pyramids, ice cream, Charlotte russe, jellies, blanc mange, meringues, ornamented plum, almond, citron, fruit, pound, sponge, New-Year and other cakes; mince, pumpkin, apple, peach, plum and cranberry pies; cocoa nut and lemon puddings, vol-au-vents, tarts, puffs, &c., &c.; candies of all kinds. Waiters furnished, and table ornaments, silver, glass, China, &c., loaned. Parties and weddings supplied at all seasons. Ornamental cakes for New-Year now ready for examination.

WHAT IS MORE APPROPRIATE FOR A Christmas present than a pair of Cahill's Embroidered Slippers. A superb assortment of which he has now ready for inspection. Also, new styles of Ladies and Gents over-gaiters, perfectly water-proof, just imported. Purchasers would do well to examine his stock before buying elsewhere. S. CAHILL,
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CHRISTMAS TREES.—LADIES INTENDING to purchase Christmas trees will find a beautiful assortment, both trimmed and untrimmed, to which their attention is respectfully invited, at THOMPSON'S Saloons, Nos. 171 and 173 Atlantic-st., and No. 29 Clinton-st., Brooklyn.

PUBLIC MEETINGS.

NEW-YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY.—The Fifty-second Anniversary of the Founding of the New-York Historical Society, will be celebrated in the Chapel of the University of the City of New-York, on TUESDAY EVENING, Dec. 23. The Society will meet at their rooms at 7½ o'clock, and the address, by Hon. Joel T. Headley, Secretary of State, will be delivered in the Chapel at 8 o'clock.
GEORGE H. MOORE, } Committee
ERASTUS C. BENEDICT, } of
WILLIAM CHAUNCEY, } Arrangements.
Members of the Society may obtain tickets at the Library, or from the Committee.

EIGHTEENTH WARD REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATION.—The members are requested to assemble at the northwest corner of 20th-st. and 3d-av., TUESDAY EVENING, Dec. 23, at 7 o'clock, to select an Executive Committee and 5 delegates to the Central Republican Committee, and 5 to the Young Men's Committee. The polls will be open from 7 till 8 o'clock.
HOMER FRANKLIN, President.
William Boies, } Secretaries.
Richard Wynkoop, }

FIFTEENTH WARD REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATION.—There will be a meeting of this Association at Stuyvesant Institute, No. 659 Broadway, on the EVENING of TUESDAY, Dec. 23, 1856, at 7 o'clock, to elect 5 delegates to the Republican Central Committee, and 5 delegates to represent the said Ward in a "Young Men's Republican Committee." The polls of the election will be kept open from 7 to 8 o'clock P. M.
RICHARD WARREN, President.
Charles Cheney, Secretary.

FIFTH WARD REPUBLICANS.—THE election of Delegates to the Republican Central Committee and to the Young Men's Republican Committee for the year 1857, will be held on the evening of TUESDAY, Dec. 23, 1856. The polls will be open from 7 to 8 o'clock. Only those who are members of the Fifth Ward Republican Association will have the right to vote at the election.
JOHN A. KENNEDY, President.
T. C. Leland, } Secretaries.
A. C. Hellabee?, }

TEMPERANCE REVIVAL AT OLD CROTON Hall, junction of Bowery and Division sts. The East River Total Abstinence Society will recommence its Sunday evening meetings TO-MORROW EVENING. All old Washingtonians, and the public in general, are invited to attend. NICHOLAS DUFF, President.
W. H. Schultz, } Vice-Presidents.
E. Lewis, }
W. Shimper, Jr., Secretary.

CITY MISSION.—NEXT SABBATH EVENING, 21st December, the Thirtieth Anniversary of the New-York City Tract Society will be held at Rev. Dr. Hutton's Church, Washington-square. The Chair to be taken at 7 o'clock, when the Annual Reports will be presented, addresses delivered by Rev. Dr. Bethune and Rev. Dr. Peck, and a contribution in cash and subscriptions received, to aid in carrying forward the operations of the Society in the coming year.

FAIRS.

THE FAIR OF THE LADIES' UNION AID SOCIETY—Will be held at Niblo's, THIS DAY, and continue on SATURDAY, 20th, also on MONDAY and TUESDAY, 22d and 23d inst. It is expected the present Fair will exceed the former one held by the Society, (which was considered the best of the kind up to that date,) in arrangement and accommodation as well as in variety and style of goods, which will be sold at prices to compare with the general retail value. A large assortment of useful, together with a rich variety of fancy articles suitable for holiday presents, will be on sale. In consideration of the object of the Fair the patronage of the public is respectfully and earnestly solicited.
Tickets of admission 12½ cents; season admitting two 25 cents, may be obtained at the door.

LADIES' FAIR.—A FAIR FOR THE SALE OF useful and fancy articles suitable for holiday presents, will be held by the ladies of Christ Church, Brooklyn, E. D., at Washington Hall, corner of 4th and South 7th sts., on MONDAY and TUESDAY, Dec. 22 and 23, from 10 o'clock A. M. to 10 o'clock P. M.
A great variety of Toys, Books, Perfumery and other fancy articles will be exhibited for sale.

LECTURES.

BY REQUEST.—LIEUT. M. F. MAURY WILL deliver a Lecture, at the Brooklyn Athenæum, on SATURDAY EVENING, Dec. 20, 1856, at 8 o'clock. Doors open at 7 o'clock.
Subject—*The Open Sea in the Arctic Ocean.*
Tickets of admission, 25 cents each. To be obtained of E. W. ROPES, No. 73 Pearl-st., New-York; C. A. TOWNSEND, No. 23 Exchange place, New-York; A. COOKE HULL, No. 105 Joralemon-st., Brooklyn; of Librarian, Athenæum; the principal bookstores and at the door. Limited number of tickets will be sold.

NEW-YORK YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.—Lieut. M. F. MAURY, U. S. N., will lecture on *the Paths of the Sea*, at Rev. Dr. Hutton's Church, Washington-square, on MONDAY EVENING, Dec. 22, at 8 o'clock; doors open at 7. Tickets 25 cents. For sale at the bookstores, and at the rooms No. 27 Waverley-place.
GEO. W. COLLORD, Chairman Lecture Com.

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—ON SATURDAY EVENING, DEC. 13, IN going from Broadway to Jersey City, two bank-books, one on the Broadway Savings Bank, No. 4,264, and one on the Seamen's Savings Bank, No. 68,878. The finder will be liberally rewarded by leaving the same at the Banks, or by the owner, in Jersey City, at his cigar-store, Hudson-st., No. 148. AUGUST LINDSTALL.

LOST—ON THURSDAY EVENING, DEC. 18, AT the Metropolitan Academy, 4th-av., or at Niblo's, a plain heavy gold ring, with "Merry Christmas" engraved on the inside. A liberal reward will be paid the finder by returning it at the office of the Board of Education, corner Grand and Elm sts.

CAUTION.—THE NOTE OF NELSON & CO., for $[illegible], dated Aug. 14, in their own favor, payable eight months after date, having been lost and payment stopped, the public are hereby cautioned against negotiating the same.

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Have the pleasure to inform their customers and the public that their
NEW BUILDING,
Which has been erecting during the past [illegible], [illegible] length completed. It adjoins and [illegible] main store, and on Monday [illegible]
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It has been found necessary [illegible]
SPACIOUS AND ELEGANT [illegible]
To our former extensive premises [illegible] greatest facilities to our customers [illegible] lowing Departments, which are now [illegible] new building:
SECOND BASEMENT.
DOMESTIC AND WOOLEN DEPARTMENT.
American Prints, Bro. and Bleached Sheetings [illegible] ings, Drillings, Canton Flannels, Ginghams [illegible] White and Colored Flannels, Blankets, Quilts [illegible] games?, &c., &c., &c.
FIRST FLOOR.
HOUSE-FURNISHING DEPARTMENT.
Linen Sheetings and Shirtings, Table Damasks, Napkins and Linens in every variety of manufacture [illegible] Lace Curtains, Draperies, Damasks [illegible]
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RICH AND FASHIONABLE DRY GOODS.
STILL GREATER REDUCTION
DURING THE COMING WEEK.
The immense sales of the past week is evidence of the great reduction in prices.
IN ORDER TO CLOSE THE BUSINESS,
in the following articles of
DRESS GOODS,
a general
REDUCTION OF 40 PER CENT. IS GUARANTEED.
RICH LYONS VELVET,
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SILKS,
SHAWLS,
CASHMERES,
DE LAINES,
PARAMATTAS, &c., &c.
It being the determination to close out the entire stock before the 1st of February, at any sacrifice, the public can rest assured that even greater inducements than above mentioned will be offered to purchasers.
HOUSEKEEPERS
will also find a full assortment of
LINENS,
SHEETINGS,
BLANKETS,
FLANNELS,
MARSEILLES QUILTS, &c., &c.
As it would be impossible to particularize the reduction on each of the above articles, the public are respectfully solicited to give them a personal examination.
CHARLES HEARD & CO., No. 301 Grand-st.

REAL INDIA CAMEL'S HAIR
SHAWLS AND SCARFS,
FROM AUCTION.
Together with a large and
BEAUTIFUL STOCK.
Of our own importation.
Will be opened to-day, Dec. 18.
A. T. STEWART & CO.
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DRY GOODS NOTICE.
CHANGE OF BUSINESS.
CHAS. G. HOOK, No. 768 BROADWAY,
Having completed his arrangements for entering in the
IMPORTING AND JOBBING BUSINESS,
Has closed his store until Monday, Dec. 22d inst., for the purpose of
MARKING DOWN THE ENTIRE STOCK,
In order to close it out before the 1st of February next.

EMBROIDERIES.
Just received, a choice lot of Paris Embroidered sets, (unmade,) ditto with valenciennes inserted, Handkerchiefs, Infants' Robes, Dresses, Caps, Mourning Embroideries, &c., &c.
A large and superb assortment of Mourning Collars, and sets, comprising all the different styles of our own manufacture, got up expressly for holidays sales.
BAILEY, FARRINGTON & LESLIE, 483 Broadway.

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RICH DRY GOODS,
FIRST-CLASS TRADE.
CLOAKS, SILKS, POPLINS,
French Embroideries, real lace articles,
Evening Dresses, Fancy Scarfs,
Fashionable Dress Goods,
Staple articles generally.
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Establishment [illegible] in the United States.
F. DERBY & COMPANY,
Of No. 12 Park-place,
Tailors and Importers,
Receive per steamers and sailing vessels, throughout the season, every desirable novelty for gentlemen's dress.

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PREPARATORY TO REMOVAL,
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At a great sacrifice.
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Offers perpetual attractions
In all that appertains to toilet purposes,
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in profusion.
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LINEN DAMASKS,
NAPKINS, DOILIES, TABLE-CLOTHS, &c.,
At reduced prices.
ARNOLD, CONSTABLE & CO.,
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CLOAKS
at
REDUCED PRICES.
LANE & PORTER,
No. 72 Canal-st.

CLOTHING.
For Men and Boys, of every size and quality, to be almost given away, at No. 39 Fulton-st., New-York.
This is the best chance that can ever be offered to get clothing, wholesale or retail.

RICH LACES FOR HOLIDAY PRESENTS—Just received per *Atlantic*: Point collars, sets, capes and handkerchiefs, black Chantilly veils, from $4 to $75; flounces, coiffures and barbes; also, embroideries, valenciennes, &c., and a great variety of goods manufactured in Paris.
MILLER & GRANT, No. 391 Broadway.

SKIRTS! SKIRTS!! SKIRTS!!!—DOUGLAS & SHERWOOD, Wholesale Skirt Manufacturers, No. 343 Broadway, New-York. The most extensive skirt manufactory in the country, employing 300 hands and using 100 sewing machines, making over 30 different styles of ladies and children's skirts of every grade, from the lowest priced corded to the finest hair-cloth and crinoline.

LADIES' HOOPS.—GUTTA PERCHA [illegible] now adopted for ladies' skirts, in preference [illegible] other article. Wholesale and retail, by [illegible] BISHOP, sole manufacturer in the United States, No. [illegible] Broadway.

FURS.

LADIES CAN SEE THE CHOICEST ASSORTMENT OF
FINE MINK ARTICLES,
AT HARLEY'S,
No. 24 John-st., and No. 28 Maiden-lane.

CHOICE FURS FOR THE HOLIDAYS.
Sable, Ermine, Mink, &c.,
At HARLEY'S,
No. 24 John-st., and No. 28 Maiden-lane.
Just received, a few [illegible] sets.

FURS—LANDRY'S FURS.
None to surpass them this season.
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FURS, FURS.—A LARGE AND CHOICE ASSORTMENT for ladies and misses, unsurpassed by any. Misses' and children's beavers, in all their varieties; the newest styles of children's velvet and cloth caps.
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REMOVALS.

REMOVAL.
FAILE, WILLIAMS & CO., grocers, have removed from No. 181 Front-st. to Nos. [illegible] Chambers-st., between Washington and West sts.

REMOVAL.—ROGERS, KETCHUM & GROSVENOR, and their successors the Rogers Locomotive and Machine Works, have removed their office from No. [illegible] Broadway to No. 44 Exchange-place.

NOTICE.—DENNISTOUN, WOOD & CO. HAVE removed to Mechanics' Bank Buildings, No. 33 Wall-st., where they issue Mercantile credits, available in all parts of the world, and to buy and sell Foreign Exchange.

BEST HAIR DYE IN THE WORLD.—THE [illegible] In strong language, yet BOGLE'S ELECTRIC HAIR DYE (recently improved) was proven to be so by the Judges at the late Mechanics' Fair, held in Boston, (among whom was Dr. Hayes, the eminent chemist and State Assayer) who awarded it the
PRIZE MEDAL AND DIPLOMA
over the choicest HAIR DYES on exhibition from all parts of the Union. Its superiority consisted in:
1st.—The ingredients are nourishing to the hair, not destructive, as others are. 2d.—Does not stain nor hurt the skin. 3d.—Is easily applied, and dyes the hair any color required, from a delicate brown to a deep black, so natural as to appear mysterious. Manufactured, sold, and applied by WM. BOGLE, No. 277 Washington-st., Boston. Sold also in this City by BARNES & PARK, F. RUSHTON, HEGEMAN, CLARK & CO., C. H. RING, A. B. & D. SANDS, Fulton-st.; W. H. CARY & CO., F. C. WELLS, and by druggists generally.

TO PRINTERS.—FOR SALE, A NEW SINGLE Cylinder Printing Press, capable of working from fifteen to eighteen hundred sheets per hour, larger than the size of this paper. It is thoroughly made, in perfect working order, and offered for sale for no other reason than the want of suitable room to operate it. It can be purchased on advantageous terms by any one desiring such a machine. Inquire of BEALS, GREENE & CO., Publishers Boston (Mass.) Post.

AUCTION SALES.

WM. T. BOYD, Auctioneer.

BY [illegible], AT STORE, NO. [illegible]-THIS DAY, Dec. 20, at 10½ o'clock, large sale of rich gold and diamond jewelry, gold and silver watches in hunting and silver cases; fine English silver watches warranted; also, choice assortment of silver-plated ware, consisting of [illegible] tea sets, casters, cake and card baskets, tea, dessert and table-spoons; forks and butter-knives, &c., the all of which will be warranted; also, large stock of rich China goods, elegant China tea sets of [illegible] pieces each; decorated and plain tête-à-tête sets of [illegible] pieces each; French clocks, &c., and a large and splendid lot of fancy goods; also, oil-paintings, mirrors, &c., [illegible] China vases, porte-monnaies, daguerreian goods, &c. The stock of jewelry and watches embraces a fine assortment of ladies' cameo sets, diamond rings, sleeve buttons, gold stone studs, do. cameo finger rings, [illegible] chains, lockets, neck, guard, chatelaine, vest and fancy chains of all styles; gold and silver watches of every pattern. The attention of the public and dealers generally is particularly called to the above sale. All goods sold are warranted to be as represented on the catalogue. Also, at 10½ o'clock, same day, in front of the store, No. [illegible] Nassau-st., will be sold, to the highest bidder, one [illegible] horse, 7 years old, kind and sound; also, one double carriage, one set double harness, one do. single, 3 blankets, 1 wolf robe, and one handsome double sleigh. Saturday, Dec. 20.

[illegible] W. WESTERVELT, Auctioneer.

WILL SELL, BY CATALOGUE, ON TUESDAY, Dec. 23, at 10½ o'clock, the entire splendid rosewood furniture contained in house No. 152 [illegible]-st., a few doors east of 7th-av. The special attention of purchasers is invited to this sale, as the parlors, dining-room, library and chambers are replete with magnificent rosewood, oak and mahogany furniture, all of which is first-class, having been made to order. The sale will be strictly peremptory, catalogues of which will be ready on the morning of the sale. Among the furniture are superb carved rosewood parlor suites, in rich satin, splendid rosewood piano-forte, carved rosewood etageres, rich carpets, statuary, top centre tables, beautiful rosewood secretary bookcase, lady's parlor secretary, rosewood encoignures and reception chairs, rich and costly Sevres and Dresden China vases, splendid mantel clocks, four elegant pier and mantel mirrors, damask, brocade and lace curtains, superb oil-paintings, with a large variety of elegant parlor ornaments, rich carved rosewood bedsteads, rosewood marble-top bureaus and washstands, marble chevals, bufets, console, in buhlwork, [illegible] hair mattresses, rosewood library bookcase, sofas, lounges, oval mirrors, superb extension table, with a splendid assortment of rich China including dinner set, [illegible] pieces cut glass, solid silver cutlery, &c., with a large quantity not mentioned, embracing the superb furniture of twenty-one rooms. Goods must be removed immediately from the premises. No postponement.

WILLIAM IRVING, Auctioneer.

W. IRVING & CO. WILL SELL THIS DAY, Saturday, Dec. 20, at 10½ o'clock, at the salesroom, No. 8 Pine-st., by order of Frederick L. Vultee, Attorney for Mortgagee, being the balance of the stock of an importer, consisting of gold watches, silver do., superb single stone diamond rings and pins, cluster diamond rings, pendant ear rings, diamond breast pins, brooches and bracelets, diamond pins and rings combined, pearl and diamond, garnet and turquoise set jewelry, suites of plain gold engraved and enameled jewelry, bracelets, fine gold guard fob and vest chains, gold seals, pencils, thimbles, pen and pencil cases, card cases, silver snuff and tobacco boxes, fine gold lovers, anchor escapement, gold enameled watches, Chatelaines, breast-pins, bracelets, crosses, &c., diamond scarf-pins, diamond breast-pins, diamond earrings in clusters, &c. Watches—fine gold lepine lever chronometers, duplex hunting levers, &c., together with a large assortment of other jewelry, affording a fine chance for the trade and others.

R. L. DELISSER, Auctioneer.

BY LEAVITT, DELISSER & CO., Nos. 377 and 379 Broadway, corner White-st.—For the sale of books, stationery, paper, paintings, fancy goods, works of art, furniture and merchandise generally. Hereafter all goods not called for within three days after sale, will be sold on purchasers' account. WEDNESDAY, Dec. 24, at 10½ o'clock, at the auction rooms, elegant sale of ladies' fashionable furs, comprising elegant stone marten, Hudson's Bay, mink, fitch and other capes, victorines, muffs, cuffs, gloves, &c., being the stock of a furrier about leaving for Europe, warranted entirely free from moth, and manufactured for this season. The catalogue comprises an elegant assortment of real Russian sable sets, worth from $300, $500 and $1,000; all of which will be sold positively and without reserve to close the concern; also, 60 fine seal sleigh robes, bear skins, &c.

WILLIAM IRVING, Auctioneer.

WILLIAM IRVING & CO. WILL SELL at auction, on MONDAY, Dec. 22, at 10½ o'clock, at salesroom, No. 8 Pine-st.—Standard Illustrated Works, Books for Holiday Presents, &c., a large and valuable collection of Standard Miscellaneous and Illustrated Books suitable for Holiday Presents and the Library; among which will be found: Hume's famous History of Great Britain, 12 vols., now scarce; Sulley's Memoirs, 5 vols., do.; Doddridge's Family Expositor, original edition in 6 vols., do., calf, finely illustrated; Waverley Novels; London Illustrated News of late years; together with a large collection of Standard Works, elegantly illustrated, Juvenile Gifts, &c., &c. Books are now on exhibition.

THOMAS VETTER, Auctioneer—Store No. 16 Spruce-st.

LARGE SALE OF HOTEL FURNITURE, WINES, LIQUORS, DINING-ROOM FIXTURES, STEAM TABLES, &c.—On TUESDAY, Dec. 23, 1856, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the Mercantile Hotel, Nos. 2, 4, 6 and 8 Washington-st., consisting of parlor, dining and bedroom furniture, in suites, tables, pier glasses, carpets, oil-cloths, mahogany and walnut bedsteads and book-cases, mahogany chairs and rockers; bedding of every description, blankets, sheets, hair mattresses; dining tables and chairs, counters, crockery and glass ware, copper and iron cooking utensils, ranges, boilers, plumbing work, [illegible]

E. H. BUTLER, Auctioneer.

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE OF STOCKS AND BONDS.—Will be sold at Auction, at the Merchants' Exchange, THIS DAY, (Saturday,) at 12 o'clock M., $1,000 of "New-York City 5 per Cent. Water Stock," of 1870; 14 shares of the Capital Stock of the "Panama Rail Company"—par value, $100. By order of PETER B. SWEENY, Public Administrator, and Adm'r of Hyacinth James, deceased.

JOSEPH HEGEMAN, Auctioneer.

BY JOSEPH HEGEMAN—MONDAY, DEC. 22, at 9 o'clock A. M., precisely, at No. 146 Lawrence-st., near Fulton-av., Brooklyn, a general assortment of walnut and mahogany marble-top parlor and chamber furniture, patent French spring mattress, feather beds, hair mattresses, quilts, blankets, walnut extension table, whatnot, ingrain carpets, crockery and kitchen furniture.

R. L. DELISSER, Auctioneer.

BY LEAVITT, DELISSER & CO., NOS. 377 and 379 Broadway, on SATURDAY, Dec. 20, 10½ A. M., liquors and cigars. Old sherry, Madeira, cognac, Scotch ale, whisky and gin, all first-class; connoisseurs will do well to attend this sale. 30,000 choice cigars, 50,000 common do.

JOSEPH HEGEMAN, Auctioneer.

MONDAY, DEC. 22—AT 10 O'CLOCK A. M., at No. 126 Atlantic, near Henry-st., Brooklyn, the stock of a retail Crockery Store, consisting in part of plated ware, cutlery, fancy goods, China vases, and the usual variety of China, glass, white granite ware, &c.

STEAMBOAT NORWALK AT AUCTION.—Will [illegible] at public auction on WEDNESDAY, Dec. 24, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]SON, Agent.

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CLASSICAL, FRENCH AND ENGLISH SCHOOL.—No. [illegible] Broadway, corner of 13th-st. There are four departments, viz: Primary, Junior, English and Classical. [illegible] teachers and a teacher of Gymnastics. Circulars at the school, at RANDOLPH'S, cor. Broadway and Amity sts., and at No. 156 2d-av. GEO. C. ANTHON.

WARWICK INSTITUTE—WARWICK, ORANGE COUNTY, N. Y.—C. L. BURNET, A. M., Principal. The Winter Term of the Warwick Institute will commence on Monday, Nov. 17, 1856. Circulars with full information may be obtained at the store of Mr. JOHN GIBMORE, No. 32 6th-av., New-York.

BOOK-KEEPING, WRITING, ALGEBRA, ARITHMETIC, &c.—Taught every day and evening at Mr. PAINE'S, No. 62 Bowery, New-York, and No. 283 Fulton-st., Brooklyn. Ladies' writing-classes $3, 12 lessons, including stationery. Commutation by the month or quarter.

HUDSON RIVER INSTITUTE—AT CLAVERACK, Columbia Co., N. Y., 3 miles east of Hudson. Board, washing, fuel and tuition, in common English, $112 per year. Winter Term commences Jan. 2. For circulars, address C. H. GARDNER, Principal.

MRS. BENEDICT'S BOARDING AND DAY School for Young Ladies reopened Sept. 17 No. 4 West 37th-st., two doors from 5th-av.

DENTISTRY.

CONTINUOUS GUM TEETH.—THE SUIT lately pending against me in the United States Circuit Court, for an infringement of the patent of ALLEN'S Continuous Gum Teeth, having been decided in my favor, I am now prepared to manufacture full or partial sets of my Improved Continuous Gum Teeth, on my improved atmospheric-pressure plates, which are superior to any now in use, and which can be inserted with or without extracting the roots. Persons in want of artificial teeth can save [illegible] by calling at my office, where specimens of all the new styles of Dentistry can be seen. Having every facility, I am now prepared to manufacture for the profession [illegible] instructions in the art. I have recently discovered [illegible] process of benumbing the gums for the extraction of teeth, and which can be used in all cases with[illegible] pain to the patient. It is entirely different [illegible] process of freezing the gums, which can only [illegible] and generally produces more pain [illegible] of the tooth.

Dr. N. B. GRIFFIN,
No. [illegible] Fulton-st., opposite Clinton-st., Brooklyn.

FURNITURE.

SCHOOL FURNITURE.—SEALED PROPOSALS for fitting up and furnishing the new School-house No. 20, in Christie-st., near Delancey, directed to the School Officers of the Tenth Ward, will be received at the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm sts., until the third day of January next, at 5 o'clock P. M.—said work to be done according to plans and specifications, which may be seen at the office of THOS. R. JACKSON, Esq., Architect, No. 229 Broadway. The School Officers reserve the right to reject any or all of the proposals.

JACOB RAYNOR, }
J. M. BELL, } Committee.
JACOB LEON, }
WILLIAM JONES, Jr. }

ENAMELED CHAMBER FURNITURE—AT H. F. FARRINGTON'S Manufactory Warerooms, Nos. 38 and 40 Wooster-st., between Grand and Broome.

OFFICE OF RECEIVER OF TAXES, New Court-House, }
No. 32 Chambers-st. }

NOTICE—IN CONFORMITY WITH AN ACT for the collection of Taxes, passed April 16, 1843, I hereby give notice to all tax payers who have omitted to pay their taxes for the year 1856, that unless the same is paid to me at my office, on or before the first day of January, I shall proceed to collect the same by an addition of interest at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum, calculated from the 26th day of last September, to the day of payment.

HENRY H. HOWARD,
Receiver of Taxes.

HOUSES AND LOTS FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—THE PROPERTY IN TWELFTH-st., next to the southwest corner of Avenue C., consisting of four lots, 103 feet front by 103 feet deep, with brick factory thereon 60 by 90, and brick storehouse and stable in the rear. There is a steam engine and boilers ready set on the premises, which will be sold with the property if required. Its near location to the Novelty and other large Iron Works renders this property very desirable for manufacturing purposes. Apply to HENRY OOTHOUT, No. 3 Cliff-st., corner John.

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FOR SALE—THE COMPLETE 3-STORY AND basement house No. 41 4th-st.; also, the elegant 3-story house No. 120 Thompson-st.; also the model 4-story and basement house No. 110 West 13th-st., just completed. The above houses have all the modern improvements complete. Possession can be given (of all) on the 1st day of January. Inquire of ROBERT McCLELLAN, 41 4th-st.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—FOR WESTERN lands, well located, three new three-story brick houses, 22x45 feet, on Huntington-st., between Court and Clinton sts., Brooklyn, having all the modern improvements, built of the best materials, and in the best manner.

P. G. BUCKLEY, No. 49 Wall-st., basement.

FOR SALE OR TO LET—THE THREE-story brick dwelling house, just completed, west side of Oxford-st., near De Kalb-av., Brooklyn. Apply at the adjoining house, or to V. THOMPSON, No. 5 Tryon-row Buildings, New-York.

FOR SALE CHEAP—A FIRST-CLASS BRICK house, with all the modern improvements, in 42d-st., near Broadway; only $8,000 cash required. Apply to GILMORE & CO., General Agents, No. 513 9th-av., between 41st and 42d sts.

HOUSES TO LET.

TO LET—STORE, WITH BEDROOM AND BACK-room, very low, at No. 369 10th-av., excellent stand for the drug, clothing or fancy business. Possession can be given immediately. This is a rare chance for a beginner. Inquire on the premises.

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WANTED—A WELL FURNISHED HOUSE IN a good situation for a few months, from the 1st January. Apply to E. CUNARD, No. 4 Bowling-green.

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New-York Agency at the office of CLARK & WILLIAMSON, Bankers, No 22 William-st. The undersigned have established a branch of their house at New-York, as above, where one of the firm will be found for the purpose of buying, selling and locating western lands. We have on hand a large quantity of lands located by ourselves, in Wisconsin, Iowa and Minnesota, a portion being on the lines of the proposed railroads, which we will sell or exchange for City property, railroad stocks, or other marketable securities. Address, care of CLARK & WILLIAMSON, No. 22 William-st.,

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ORANGE COUNTY FARM FOR SALE.—About 80 acres, 3½ hours' ride from New-York City, contains a large orchard of fine grafted fruit in bearing prime; also, choice varieties of pears, peaches, cherries, grapes, &c. It has an unfailing and abundant supply of water, and is suited for either grass or grain. Buildings are new and commodious, and everything around the place is in complete order. For terms and full particulars, apply to WM. D. STOCKER, of Hull & Stocker, Attorneys, No. 15 Wall-st.

VALUABLE FARM FOR SALE.—A FINE country residence, situated in the town of New-Rochelle, Westchester County, N. Y., between the New-York and New-Haven and Harlem Railroads, containing 118 acres of land in a high state of cultivation. A large modern double-house, good springs and out-buildings, suitable for all farming purposes. For further particulars inquire of RACHEL T. CORNELL, on the premises, or No. 34 East Broadway, New-York.

SPLENDID FARM OF 240 ACRES, ON THE HUDSON RIVER—Three-quarters of a mile front—Price $60,000. No encumbrance. For sale or exchange for City property. Also an elegant country seat, of 22 acres, superior improvements, on Whitestone-av., Flushing. C. B. MILLER & CO., No. 195 Broadway.

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6 octave, piano style, extra finish, $150.
5 octave, double reed, 2 stops, $150.
6 octave, double reed, 4 stops, $200.
5 octave, 2 banks of keys, 2 sets of reeds and coupler, $200.
5 octave, 2 banks of keys, 2 sets of reeds and coupler, carved legs, fancy case, $250.

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PREMIUM PIANOS.—SCHUETZE & LUDOLFF would respectfully invite purchasers of Pianos to their choice assortment of premium Pianos. They are acknowledged superior to any other manufacturer's square Pianos, and have found great approbation by the following eminent artists: Mrs. Seguin, Mr. Paul Julien, Mr. A. Gockel and Mr. M. Strakosch, by whom the best references are willingly given. Our Pianos were awarded premiums at the exhibition of the American Institute, Crystal Palace, New-York, 1855-6. All our Pianos are warranted. SCHUETZE & LUDOLFF, No. 463 Broome-st., near the west side of Broadway.

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GREAT IMPROVEMENT IN PIANO-FORTES.—Messrs. LIGHTE NEWTON & BRADBURYS, No. 421 Broome-st., respectfully invite attention to their Piano-fortes, constructed with the patent arch wrestplank, which is undoubtedly the most substantial improvement ever introduced into this instrument.

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THREE SUPERB PIANOS AT GREAT BARGAINS.—I have two 6¾-octave, front round rosewood pianos, and one 7-octave, which I will sell at first cost if bought before the 1st of January. H. E. MATHEWS, No. 296 Fulton-st., Brooklyn.

GREAT BARGAIN.—GRAND DIAGONAL 7-octave rosewood piano, elegant case and superior tone, made by one of the best makers, and warranted. Cost $500. Will be sold for $260. Been used a few months. Can be seen at No. 141 9th-st.

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LOAN FOR $1,000,000—FOR THE ENLARGEMENT of the Erie, the Oswego, the Cayuga and Seneca Canals, and for the completion of the Black River and Genesee Valley Canals, and for other purposes.

The Commissioners of the Canal Fund, by virtue of an act entitled "An act making appropriations for the Canal Debt and the maintenance, enlargement and construction of the Canals of this State for the fiscal year commencing October 1, 1856, and authorizing a loan for the enlargement and construction of the Canals," passed April 9, 1856, hereby give notice that sealed proposals will be received at the Canal Department until the 15th day of January next, at 12 o'clock noon of that day, for a loan of ONE MILLION DOLLARS, for which transferable certificates of stock will be issued in the name of the people of the State of New-York, bearing interest at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum, payable quarterly on the first days of January, April, July and October in each year, and the principal reimbursable on the first day of October, 1874. It is to be understood that the Commissioners are to be at liberty to take a less sum, if the offers are not such as in their opinion are advantageous to the interests of the State. The proposals may be for the whole or any part of said loan not less than $5,000. All proposals to be sealed up and indorsed "Loan for the Enlargement," and inclosed in an envelope directed to the Auditor of the Canal Department, at Albany.

The money will be required to be paid, five per cent. on the acceptance of the proposal, and the balance on the 20th day of January next, at the New-York State Bank in Albany, or at the Bank of the Manhattan Company, in New-York, but the money will be received and script issued at any time before if desired, after the award of the loan is made.

Payments to be made by depositing the same to the credit of the "Treasurer of the State on account of the Canal Fund," in the Bank of the Manhattan Company, New-York, or the New-York State Bank, in the city of Albany. Interest on the Loan will commence on the 20th day of January next, and the holders of the stock residing in the First and Second Judicial Districts, and those *residing out of the State will receive the interest on the* Stock held by them, quarterly, at the Bank of the Manhattan Company, in the City of New-York; and all other Stockholders at the New-York State Bank in the city of Albany. Dated Canal Department, Dec. 17, 1856.

HENRY J. RAYMOND, Lieut. Gov.
LORENZO BURROWS, Comptroller.
JOEL T. HEADLEY, Sec'y of State.
STEPHEN CLARK, Treasurer.
STEPHEN B. CUSHING, Att'y Gen'l.

CAPITALISTS, ATTENTION!—WILL BE sold at public auction, at the dwelling-house on the premises, on THURSDAY, Jan. 8, 1857, at 1 o'clock P. M. of that day, the valuable farm and paper mill, late of ROYAL MOLLENEUX, deceased, at Hempstead, L. I. This property consists of fifty-three acres of land, situate at East Meadow, town of Hempstead, Queens County; is three miles from the village of Hempstead, and easy of access by railroad several times a day. The improvements consist of a good dwelling-house and necessary out-buildings, and a never-failing and valuable stream of water, with a mill thereon for the extensive manufacture of straw board and wrapping paper. Title indisputable. Terms made known on the day of sale. For further particulars inquire of STEPHEN H. TERRILL and FRANKLIN MOLLENEUX, upon the premises, or of JOHN J. ARMSTRONG, Counselor at Law, Jamaica, L. I.

CLEVELAND, COLUMBUS & CINCINNATI RAILROAD CO.,}
SECRETARY'S OFFICE, CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 16, 1856.}

NOTICE.—THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of the above Company for the Election of Directors, will be held at the office of the Company in Cleveland, on Wednesday, Jan. 14, 1857. The transfer books of the Company will be closed from Jan. 4 to the 14th inclusive. H. C. MARSHALL, Secretary.

NEW-YORK CENTRAL RAILROAD SEVEN PER CENT. BONDS.—The undersigned offer for sale the 7 per cent. Coupon Bonds of this Company, (late issue,) having twenty years to run; interest payable semi-annually, on the first days of February and August, at the Company's Agency in this City.

DUNCAN, SHERMAN & CO.

SWIFT, RANSOM & CO., BANKERS—NO. 21 Pine-st., draw on the Bank of London; issue drafts and credits on Chicago, and make collections in the principal towns and cities of the West and Northwest. Payments in Chicago ordered by telegraph.

MONEY TO LOAN ON BOND AND MORTGAGE, and titles of Real Estate carefully examined, at reduced rates. Apply to FREDERICK E. WESTBROOK, Counselor at Law, No. 5 Tryon-row, opposite the Register's Office.

NOTICE.—THE HOLDERS OF COUPONS ISSUED by the Madison County, (Ala.,) on account of the Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company, and due January 1, 1857, will please present them for payment at the Bank of America.

STOCKS, REAL ESTATE, AND VIRGINIA Lands in exchange for merchandise of all kinds. Also, cash loaned on watches, jewelry, pianos, &c. Notes and mortgages negotiated. No. 289 Broadway, Room No. 14, first floor. GIFFORD & CO.

DIVIDENDS.

TREASURER'S OFFICE C. P. & A. RAILROAD CO.}
CLEVELAND, Dec. 16, 1856.}

A DIVIDEND OF FIVE PER CENT. ON the Capital Stock of this Company, and the same upon all payments upon the Scrip issued April 15, 1856, has been declared out of the net earnings of the Road, for the six months ending Dec. 31, 1856; payable to the Shareholders at the office of the Treasurer, in Cleveland, Ohio, on Jan. 2, 1857, in currency, or by sight check on New-York, at the option of the Shareholders respectively.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Dec. 20, inst., to Jan. 2, 1857.

Also, a dividend of 10 per cent. on the Capital Stock, and the same upon all payments upon the Scrip of this Company, has been declared out of the surplus earnings of the Road, payable to the Shareholders respectively, at the office of the Treasurer, in Cleveland, Ohio, Jan. 2, 1857.

An installment of 35 per cent. on the Scrip of this Company has been called in and made payable to the Treasurer in Cleveland, Ohio, March 1, 1857. Shareholders may have the privilege of making such payment Jan. 2, 1857, and draw full dividends upon the same thereafter.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Feb. 20, to March 1. By order of the Board.

GEORGE B. ELY, Treasurer.

THE MICHIGAN CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY.—TREASURER'S OFFICE, BOSTON, Dec. 16, 1856.—A dividend of five per cent. has this day been declared, payable on the 1st day of January next, to such persons as shall be holders of stock at the close of business on the 20th day of the present month. Payment to be made to stockholders in Michigan and not registered in New-York, at the office of the local Treasurer in Detroit; to holders of stock registered in the City of New-York, at the Office of the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company in New-York; to all others at the Office of the Treasurer in the City of Boston.

ISAAC LIVERMORE, Treasurer.

CHICAGO AND ROCK ISLAND RAILROAD COMPANY,}
NEW-YORK, Dec. 15, 1856.}

THE DIRECTORS HAVE THIS DAY DECLARED a dividend of twelve and one-half per cent. (12½) on the capital stock of this Company, from the surplus earnings of the Road, payable in the stock of the Company, at par.

The Transfer books will be closed on the 24th day of December instant, and remain closed until the 6th day of January, 1857, when the certificates will be ready for delivery to the stockholders, or their legal representatives.

A. C. FLAGG, Treasurer.

NEW-YORK AND HARLEM RAILROAD.—DIVIDEND NOTICE.—The Board of Directors of the New-York and Harlem Railroad Company has this day declared a dividend of three per cent., or $1 50 per share to the holders of the preferred stock of the Company, payable on and after Jan. 5, next, at the office of the Treasurer, No. 33 Pine-st. The transfer books and the transferred stock will be closed from Dec. 27 to Jan. 6.

W. A. WHITEHEAD, Treasurer.

PARK FIRE INSURANCE CO., No. 297 Broadway,}
Cor. Park-place, New-York, Dec. 4, 1856.}

DIVIDEND.—A SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND OF Six (6) per cent. has this day been declared, payable on and after 2d January next. The Transfer Books will close on the 20th inst. WM. JAFFRAY, Secretary.

COAL.

SCRANTON COAL.—THE DELAWARE, LACKAWANNA and Western Railroad Company (office No. 51 Wall-st., New-York) continue to sell this superior Coal, delivered on board vessels at Elizabethport, N. J., at the following prices, per ton of 2,240 pounds, viz.:

Lump	$4 [illegible]
Steamboat	4 [illegible]
Large Egg, for grates and house furnaces	4 [illegible]
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Nut or Stove, for cooking-stoves, ranges, &c.	4 75
Chestnut, for small engines, &c.	3 [illegible]

Freight to New-York, Brooklyn, Jersey City, &c., in the barges of the Company, [illegible] cents per ton.

W. E. WARREN, Treasurer.

CUMBERLAND COAL DISCHARGING.—Now discharging, a cargo of very superior Cumberland Coal, from the mines of the Hampshire Coal Co., suitable for smiths and manufacturers.

TRUSLOW & BROTHERS,
No. 300 Cherry and No. 126 Grand sts.
Dealers supplied with Cannel Coal from the yard.

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CARRIAGES.—PERSONS WISHING GOOD family Carriages or Sleighs of any style, can be suited at MOTT & CO.'S Repository, No. 550 Broadway. Their stock consists of Coaches, Caleches, Coupes, Barouches, Rockaways, &c., &c. Give them a call.

EXTRA AND CHOICE MEATS.—CONSISTing of Beef, Mutton, Lamb and Veal, in cuts to suit purchasers, by THOMAS F. DEVOE, Nos. 7 and 8 Jefferson Market, from animals selected.

BANK NOTICES.

BANK DEPARTMENT—STATE OF NEW-YORK.—ALBANY, Feb. 8, 1856.—Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, that all the circulating notes issued to D. S. BENNETT, (an Individual Banker—Queen City Bank, Buffalo,) must be presented at the office of the Superintendent of the Banking Department of the State of New-York for payment, within two years from the date hereof, or the funds deposited for the redemption of the circulating notes issued to the said Banker will be given up.

107, '56-law2yS D. B. ST. JOHN, Superintendent.

BANK DEPARTMENT—STATE OF NEW-YORK.—ALBANY, Dec. 21, 1854.—Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, that all the circulating notes issued to the SUFFOLK BANK (a banking association in the City of New-York) must be presented at the office of the Superintendent of the Banking Department of the State of New-York, for payment, within two years from the date hereof, or the funds deposited for the redemption of the circulating notes issued to the said Bank will be given up.

d22, '54-law2yS D. B. ST. JOHN, Superintendent.

MARINER'S SAVINGS INSTITUTION, corner 3d-av. and 7th-st.

Moneys deposited on or before the 1st of January will bear interest from that date.

Bank open daily from 9 A. M. to 2 P. M., and on Wednesday and Saturday evenings from 5 o'clock to 8 o'clock. THOMAS B. STILLMAN, President.

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EAST RIVER SAVINGS BANK, NO. 3 Chambers-st., (two doors from Chatham-st.) open every day from 10 o'clock A. M. until 2 o'clock P. M., and on Thursday evenings from 5 to 7 o'clock. Six per cent. interest allowed on sums from $5 to $500; 5 per cent. on sums over $500. All sums deposited on or before the 10th of January will draw interest from the 1st.

CHAS. A. WHITNEY, Sec. PETER A. TITUS, Pres.

IRVING SAVINGS INSTITUTION, NO. 96 Warren-st., near Greenwich-st.—Open daily from 10 A. M. to 2 P. M., and 4 to 7 P. M., on MONDAYS, THURSDAYS and SATURDAYS. Interest, 6 per cent. on sums from $1 to $500.

WALTER W. CONCKLIN, President.
VANDERBILT L. BUXTON, Secretary.

MARINERS' SAVINGS BANK—THIRD-AV., corner of 9th-st., open daily from 9 till 2, and Wednesday and Saturday evenings from 5 to 8. Interest on deposits of $500 and under, 6 per cent.

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HAS REMOVED ITS OFFICE FROM
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PROFITABLE AND HONORABLE EMPLOYMENT FOR THE WINTER.—Persons in town or country in search of employment as a source of income, or to fill up their leisure hours, may hear of such by inclosing two stamps, to pay postage, to Prof. JAMES T. HORNE, Box No. 4,531 New-York Post-Office. The employment is fitted to either sex; station in life immaterial. It is an article of daily consumption, and can be manufactured in any person's dwelling; secured by copyright; sales as permanent as flour. An agent is wanted in every town in the Union.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

SUPERIOR COURT.—WASHINGTON R. NICHOLS vs. SAMUEL B. ROMAINE, surviving Executor of BENJAMIN ROMAINE, deceased, and the said Samuel B. Romaine, Ann Nichols, Hannah Western, Robert J. Dillon, Mary Nesmith, Romaine Dillon, Alice Olmstead, Francis Olmstead and Benjamin R. Gaul, Devisees of said Benjamin Romaine, deceased. The said Ann Nichols being the wife of Charles Nichols, and Mary Nesmith wife of John P. Nesmith, also Defendants. Summons—For Relief on Supplementary Bill of Complaint. To ROMAINE DILLON: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the supplemental complaint in this action which was this day filed in the office of the Clerk of this Court in the City of New-York, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscriber at his office, No. 16 Exchange-place, in the City of New-York, within twenty days after the service of this summons on you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the said supplemental complaint.—Dated New-York, Nov. 27, 1856.

W. H. ANTHON,
n29-law6wS* Plaintiff's Attorney.

SUPREME COURT.—IN THE MATTER OF the claim of AARON SUTTON to certain moneys awarded to Unknown Owners for land embraced within the limits of Central Park in the City of New-York.—Notice is hereby given that the said AARON SUTTON will apply to one of the Justices of this Court, at a special term thereof, to be held at Chambers in the City Hall in the City of New-York, on the 27th day of December, A. D. 1856, at 10 o'clock A. M., for the money awarded by the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment appointed in the matter of the opening of Central Park in the City of New-York, to Unknown Owners, of and for all those twenty-nine lots laid down and designated on "Damage Maps of Central Park, Northwestern Division," made by said Commissioners, by the numbers 29, 30, 31, 32 and 33, in block 799; numbers 29 and 35 in block 798; numbers 29, 36 and 40 in block 797; numbers 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37 and 38, in block 796; number 41 in block 795; and numbers 34, 35, 36, 39 and 40 in block 794.—Dated New-York, Nov. 24, 1856.

O'BRIEN & HIGENBOTAM,
n29-law4wS* Attorneys for Claimant.

NOTICE TO THE CREDITORS OF GEORGE HURLBURT, late of the town of Batavia, in the County of Genesee. In pursuance of an order made by the Surrogate of the County of Genesee, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against GEORGE HURLBURT, late of the town of Batavia, in said county, deceased, that they are required to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof to MOSES TAGGART, Administrator, at his office in the town of Batavia, in the County of Genesee, on or before the 20th day of March next. Dated Sept. 20, 1856.

MOSES TAGGART, Administrator.
ADALINE M. HURLBURT, Administratrix.
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IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF RODMAN B. DAWSON, Esq., Surrogate of the County of Kings, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against CHARLES J. KAUTH, late of the city of Brooklyn, deceased, that they are required to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, the administrator, at his store, No. [illegible] Washington-st., in the City of New-York, on or before the 24th day of April next.—Dated Oct. 17, 1856.

o18-law6mS* PETER KAUTH, Administrator.

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF RODMAN B. DAWSON, Esq., Surrogate of the County of Kings, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against ISRAEL W. SCUDDER, late of the city of Brooklyn, deceased, that they are required to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, the administratrix, at the store of IRA PEREGO, No. 61 Nassau-st., in the City of New-York, on or before the eleventh day of May next.—Dated Oct. 10, 1856.

CATHARINE H. SCUDDER, Administratrix.
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ENCAUSTIC TILES FOR VESTIBULES—Halls, hearths, dining-rooms, conservatories, &c. Gernkirk Chimney-tops, drain-pipes, &c. For sale by MILLER & COATES, No. 279 Pearl-st., New-York.

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CLOVE ANODYNE TOOTHACHE DROPS.—This simple and efficacious remedy acts so instantly upon the nerve of the tooth, that immediate relief is given. Price, 75 cents per vial. Prepared and sold by A. B. & D. SANDS, Druggists, No. 100 Fulton-st., New-York. Sold also by Druggists generally.

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Sold by Dr. H. A. BARROW—Member of the Imperial College of Vienna, and Royal College of Surgeons, London, who may be personally consulted at his residence, No. 157 Prince-st., (few blocks west of Broadway,) New-York, from 11 o'clock in the morning till 2, and from 6 o'clock till 9 in the evening, (Sundays excepted.)

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Special arrangements having been made with the various Expresses, the nine-dollar cases of the Triesemar, and the larger sizes, will be forwarded by Dr. Barrow, carriage paid, immediately on receiving a remittance, to any part of the world, securely packed, and addressed according to the instructions of the writer, thus securing to the public genuine European preparations, and effectually protecting them from spurious and pernicious imitations. The three-dollar cases sent as usual, but not free of carriage.

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CAUTION.—NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.—BEware of handbills and advertisements stating that Dr. HUNTER has removed, and that Hunter's Red Drop can be had at any place, except at the old Dispensary, No. 3 Division-st., established in 1834, by the writer of this, and the present and only proprietor. It is a villainous conspiracy by a plurality of unprincipled quack doctors, to rob Dr. HUNTER of his hard-earned reputation as a skillful and honorable physician. Remember that Dr. Hunter's Red Drop can only be had genuine at the old Hunterian Dispensary, No. 3 Division-st.; all others are base and wicked counterfeits of this wonderful remedy, it being the only thing on earth that will really cure and root out of the human system every particle of the rank and poisonous virus of the venereal disease.

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FOR CALIFORNIA.—NEW-YORK AND SAN FRANCISCO STEAMSHIP LINE via NICARAGUA.—SHORTEST ROUTE BY 700 MILES—PRICES GREATLY REDUCED.—The new docks at Virgin Bay and at San Juan del Sur are now completed. The Steamers will hereafter lie at the wharves to receive passengers and freight, thus avoiding all exposure in small boats. The new and splendid steamship TENNESSEE, Capt. E. TINKLEPAUGH, (1,800 tons burden,) will sail from Pier foot of Beach-st., North River, for SAN JUAN DE NICARAGUA, on WEDNESDAY, Dec. 24, 1856, at 3 o'clock P. M., to connect with the steamer SIERRA NEVADA, from San Juan del Sur, on the Pacific, for San Francisco. Passengers will find this the healthiest and cheapest route. 50 pounds baggage allowed each passenger; 10 cents on excess.

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FOR NORFOLK, PETERSBURG AND RICHMOND.—The United States Mail steamship ROANOKE, Capt. SKINNER, will leave pier No. 13, N. R., on SATURDAY, 20th inst., at 3 o'clock, taking freight and passengers for all of the above places. She will arrive in Norfolk on Sunday evening, from whence passengers for the South can proceed by the great mail line, or they can go through to City Point, or Richmond, by the steamer. Passage—Fare, with stateroom, to Norfolk, $8; to Petersburg and Richmond, $10. Steerage, half-price. Apply on board, or to

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FOR SAVANNAH AND FLORIDA—U. S. MAIL LINE.—The splendid steamship AUGUSTA, Capt. THOMAS LYON, will leave for Savannah on SATURDAY, Dec. 20, from Pier No. 4 North River, at 2 o'clock P. M. precisely.

Bills of lading signed only on board.
For freight or passage, apply to
SAML. L. MITCHILL, No. 13 Broadway.

☞ The Wednesdays' ships of this line are withdrawn until further notice.

COPARTNERSHIP NOTICES.

DISSOLUTION OF COPARTNERSHIP.—The copartnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, in this village and at South Bainbridge, under the name of SHEPARSON & BEATTY, has been this day dissolved by mutual consent. All debts and accounts against the firm will be settled by SIMEON SHEPARSON, who will be found at the old stand.

SIMEON SHEPARSON,
WM. C. BEATTY.

BAINBRIDGE, Chenango Co., Saturday, Dec. 13, 1856.

FOR EUROPE.

THE NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL UNITED STATES MAIL STEAMERS.—The ships comprising this line are as follows:
ATLANTIC, Capt. [illegible]; BALTIC, Capt. [illegible]
[illegible]; ADRIATIC, Capt. JAMES WEST.

These ships have been built by contract, expressly for Government service. Every care has been taken in their construction, as also their engines, to insure strength and speed, and their accommodations for passengers are unequaled for elegance and comfort. Price of passage from New-York to Liverpool, in first-class cabin, $130; in second cabin, $75. From Liverpool to New-York, 30 and 20 guineas. An experienced surgeon attached to each ship. No berth secured until paid for. The ships of this line have improved water-tight bulkheads, and to avoid danger from ice will not cross the Banks north of 42 degrees until after the 1st of August.

PROPOSED DATES OF SAILING.

FROM NEW-YORK.		FROM LIVERPOOL.	
Saturday, April 26	1856	Wednesday, May 14	1856
Saturday, May 10	1856	Wednesday, May 28	1856
Saturday, May 24	1856	Wednesday, June 11	1856
Saturday, June 7	1856	Wednesday, June 25	1856
Saturday, June 21	1856	Wednesday, July 9	1856
Saturday, July 5	1856	Wednesday, July 23	1856
Saturday, July 19	1856	Wednesday, Aug. 6	1856
Saturday, Aug. 2	1856	Wednesday, Aug. 20	1856
Saturday, Aug. 16	1856	Wednesday, Sept. 3	1856
Saturday, Aug. 30	1856	Wednesday, Sept. 17	1856
Saturday, Sept. 13	1856	Wednesday, Oct. 1	1856
Saturday, Sept. 27	1856	Wednesday, Oct. 15	1856
Saturday, Oct. 11	1856	Wednesday, Oct. 29	1856
Saturday, Oct. 25	1856	Wednesday, Nov. 12	1856
Saturday, Nov. 8	1856	Wednesday, Nov. 26	1856
Saturday, Nov. 22	1856	Wednesday, Dec. 10	1856
Saturday, Dec. 6	1856	Wednesday, Dec. 24	1856
Saturday, Dec. 20	1856		

For freight or passage apply to
EDWD K. COLLINS, No. 56 Wall-st., New-York.
BROWN, SHIPLEY & CO., Liverpool.
STEPHEN KENNARD & CO., No. 27 Austin Friars, London.
B. G. WAINWRIGHT & CO. Paris.

The owners of these ships will not be accountable for gold, silver, bullion, specie, jewelry, precious stones or metals, unless bills of lading are signed therefor, and the value thereof therein expressed.

THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIPS.

FROM NEW-YORK TO LIVERPOOL.—Chief Cabin Passage, $130; Second Cabin Passage, $75. FROM BOSTON TO LIVERPOOL.—Chief Cabin Passage, $110; Second Cabin Passage, $60. The ships from Boston call at Halifax.

PERSIA, Capt. Judkins. CANADA, Capt. Lang.
ARABIA, Capt. J. Stone. AMERICA, Capt. Wickman.
ASIA, Capt. E. G. Lott. NIAGARA, Capt. Ryrie.
AFRICA, Capt. Shannon. EUROPA, Capt. J. Leitch.

These vessels carry a clear white light at masthead; green on starboard bow, red on port bow.

NIAGARA, Wickman, leave Boston, Wednesday, Oct. [illegible]
PERSIA, Judkins, leave New-York, Wednesday, Oct. [illegible]
ARABIA, Stone, leave Boston...... Wednesday, Nov. [illegible]
ASIA, Lott, leave New-York...... Wednesday, Nov. 12
CANADA, Lang, leave Boston...... Wednesday, Nov. 19
EUROPA, Leitch, leave New-York, Wednesday, Nov. 26
NIAGARA, Wickman, leave Boston, Wednesday, Dec. 3
PERSIA, Judkins, leave New-York, Wednesday, Dec. 10
ARABIA, Stone, leave Boston...... Wednesday, Dec. 17
AFRICA, Shannon, leave New-York, Wednesday, Dec. 24

Berths not secured until paid for. An experienced surgeon on board.

The owners of these ships will not be accountable for *gold, silver, bullion, specie, jewelry, precious stones or metals,* unless bills of lading are signed therefor, and the value thereof expressed.

For freight or passage, apply to
E. CUNARD, No. 4 Bowling-Green.

STEAM BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND GLASGOW.
EDINBURG, 2,500 tons, WM. CUMMINGS, Commander.
NEW-YORK, 2,150 tons, ROBERT CRAIG, Commander.
GLASGOW, 1,962 tons, JOHN DUNCAN, Commander.

The Glasgow and New-York Steamship Company intend sailing their new and powerful steamers from New-York for Glasgow direct, as under:

EDINBURG...... Saturday, 10th January, at 12 o'clock M.
GLASGOW...... Saturday, 31st January, at 12 o'clock M.
NEW-YORK.... Saturday, 14th February, at 12 o'clock M.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

First-class, $75; third-class, found with cooked provisions, $30.

An experienced Surgeon attached to each steamer.

For freight or passage, apply to J. McSYMON, No. 17 Broadway.

New-York City bills or gold only received for passage.

NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL U. S. MAIL STEAMSHIPS.—FOR LIVERPOOL.—The United States Mail Steamship ATLANTIC, Captain [illegible], will depart with the United States mails for Europe, positively, on SATURDAY, Dec. 20, at 12 o'clock M., from her berth at the foot of Canal-st. The steamers of this line have improved water-tight bulkheads. For freight or passage, having unequaled accommodations for elegance and comfort, apply to

EDWARD K. COLLINS, No. 56 Wall-st.

Passengers are requested to be on board at 11 o'clock A. M. All letters must pass through the Post-Office—any others will be returned.

The rate of freight from Liverpool to New-York is reduced to Four Pounds per ton measurement, until further notice.

RAILROADS.

GREAT AMERICAN ROUTE!
MICHIGAN SOUTHERN RAILROAD TO CHICAGO, St. Louis, Rock Island, St. Paul's, Milwaukee, and all places West and Southwest, via New-York and Erie, New-York Central, American Lake Shore Railroads, to Toledo, forming the shortest, quickest and pleasantest route to the Great West. For through tickets and rates of freight, apply at the Company's Office, No. 189 Broadway, corner of Dey-st., New-York. JOHN F. PORTER, Agent.

NEW-YORK AND ERIE RAILROAD.—On and after Monday, Nov. 3, 1856, and until further notice, Passenger Trains will leave Pier foot of Duane-st., as follows, viz.: Buffalo Express, at 6:00 A. M., for Buffalo. Dunkirk Express, at 6:30 A. M., for Dunkirk. Mail, at 8:15 A. M., for Dunkirk and Buffalo and intermediate stations. Passengers by this train remain over night at Owego, and proceed the next morning. Chicago Express, at 12 M., for Dunkirk. Rockland Passenger, at 3 P. M., (from foot of Chambers-st.,) via Piermont for Suffern and intermediate stations. Way Passenger, at 4 P. M., for Newburg and Middletown and intermediate stations. Night Express, at 4:30 P. M., for Dunkirk and Buffalo. Emigrant, at 5 P. M., for Dunkirk and Buffalo, and intermediate stations.

THE ABOVE TRAINS RUN DAILY, SUNDAYS EXCEPTED. The Express Trains connect at Elmira with the Elmira, Canandaigua and Niagara Falls Railroad, for Niagara Falls; at Binghamton, with the Syracuse and Binghamton Railroad, for Syracuse; at Corning, with Buffalo, Corning and New-York Railroad, for Rochester; at Great Bend, with Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad, for Scranton; at Buffalo and Dunkirk, with the Lake Shore Railroad, for Cleveland, Cincinnati, Toledo, Detroit, Chicago, &c.

D. C. McCALLUM, General Superintendent.

NEW-YORK AND HARLEM RAILROAD.—WINTER ARRANGEMENT.—Commencing Monday, Nov. 3, 1856.—Three daily trains to Albany, Sundays excepted. Fare $3 00 from New-York to Albany. Leave New-York as follows, from station corner of White and Centre sts.

6:30 A. M. Express train for Albany, connecting with the Central Railroad and Northern trains.

8:10 A. M. Mail train, running directly through without change of cars, and connecting at Chatham Four Corners with the Western trains for Pittsfield, North Adams, and other stations.

4:30 P. M. Express, running directly through without change of cars, and connecting with Central train at 11 P. M. for the West.

RETURNING, LEAVE ALBANY.

9:15 A. M. Mail train for New-York direct.
10:45 A. M. Express, without change of cars.
5 P. M. Express, without change of cars.

Tickets to be obtained, and baggage checked, at the office of the Western Railroad, Albany, or at White and Centre, Broome or 26th-st., and 4th-av., New-York.

WM. J. CAMPBELL, Superintendent.

NEW-YORK TO RUTLAND, BURLINGTON, PLATTSBURG, ROUSE'S POINT AND MONTREAL, SAME DAY.—Leave New-York via Hudson River Railroad at 6:30 A. M.; leave Troy by Troy and Boston Railroad at 11:50 A. M.; arrive at Rutland at 3:30, Burlington 6:15, Plattsburg 9:15, Rouse's Point 8 P. M., Montreal 10:30 P. M., and Ogdensburg next morning. Leave New-York at 11¼ A. M.; (Nov. 3, this goes into effect) leave Troy by Troy and Boston Railroad at 5:45; arrive at Rutland at 9:15 P. M., lodge; leave at 6 A. M.; arrive at Ogdensburg and Montreal same afternoon. Leave New-York at 4:45 P. M., lodge at Troy; leave at 6:30 A. M., for all points north and east of Rutland.

ISAAC V. BAKER,
Superintendent of Troy and Boston Railroad.

MAY 5, 1856.

CENTRAL RAILROAD OF NEW-JERSEY.—Connecting at New-Hampton with the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad, to Scranton, Great Bend, the North and West, and at Easton with the Lehigh Valley Railroad, to Mauch Chunk.

FALL ARRANGEMENT.—Commencing October [illegible], 1856. Leave New-York for Easton and intermediate places from Pier No. 2 North River, at 7:30 A. M., and 3:30 P. M.; for Somerville, at 7:30 and 10:30 A. M., 3:30 and 5:00 P. M. The above trains connect at Elizabeth with trains on the New-Jersey Railroad, which leave New-York from foot of Courtlandt-st. at 7:30 and 11 A. M., 3:30 and 4 P. M.

JOHN O. STERNS, Superintendent.

NEW-JERSEY RAILROAD—FOR PHILADELPHIA AND THE SOUTH AND WEST, via JERSEY CITY.—Mail and Express Line. Leave New-York at 8 and 11 A. M., and 4 and 6 P. M., fare $3; 12 M., fare $2 25; stopping at all way stations. 11 and 4 go to Kensington. Through tickets sold for Cincinnati ($17 and $16 50) and the West, and for Baltimore, Washington, Norfolk, &c., and through baggage checked to Washington in 8 A. M. and 6 P. M.

J. W. WOODRUFF, Assistant Superintendent.

No baggage will be received for any train unless delivered and checked 15 minutes in advance of the time of leaving.

HUDSON RIVER RAILROAD.—FROM NOV. 3, 1856, the trains will leave Chambers-st. Station as follows: Express Train, 6:30 A. M. and 4:45 P. M.; Mail, 11:30 A. M.; Emigrant, 6:45 P. M.; For Poughkeepsie, 6 A. M. and 1 and 3:30 P. M.; For Sing Sing, 9:30 A. M. and 6 P. M.; For Peekskill, 5:30 P. M. The Poughkeepsie, Sing Sing and Peekskill trains stop at the Way Stations. Passengers taken at Chambers, Canal, Christopher and 31st sts. Trains for New-York leave Troy at 5:45, and 10:15 A. M., and 4:45 P. M., and East Albany at 6:15, and 10:45 A. M., and 5:30 P. M. A. F. SMITH, Superintendent.

LAND ROUTE—NEW-YORK TO PROVIDENCE, &c.—On and after Dec. 1, 1856, express trains of the Providence, Hartford and Fishkill Railroad will leave Hartford on the arrival there of the express trains of the New-York and New-Haven, and New-Haven, Hartford and Springfield Railroads, which leave New-York at 8 A. M. and 3 P. M., respectively. S. ASHBURNER, Chief Eng'r and Supt. H., P. and F. R. R.

FLUSHING RAILROAD LEAVES FULTON Market Wharf, by steamer ISLAND CITY, at 6:45, 9 and 10 A. M., 1, 3:15 and 5 P. M. The cars leave Flushing (L. I.) at the same hours, meeting and exchanging passengers with the boat at Hunter's Point. Through in 45 minutes. Fare 15 cents. WM. M. SMITH, Sup't.

LINEN PLAYING CARDS.

LINEN PLAYING CARDS.—SOUTHERN AND Western dealers and club houses will find a complete assortment of very superior playing cards, of all qualities, at the depôt of the Philadelphia Card Factory of SAMUEL HART & CO., No. 1 Barclay-st., opposite Astor House.

NEW-YORK CITY.

Evening Schools.

... There are two evening schools in the Seventh Ward [illegible] No. 11, on Rutgers-street. The Girls' school, under the care of Miss MATILDA [illegible], with three assistants, has an attendance of [illegible] pupils, and is in a very satisfactory condition. Many of the pupils having made marked progress. The classrooms will accommodate nearly 200 pupils. The Boys' School, under the care of J. J. ANDERSON, has an attendance of some 200 boys. The advancement made by the pupils generally has been greater than usual. A debating club is maintained with spirit.

In the Tenth Ward there are two evening schools, held in No. 20 on Ludlow-street, both of which are in a very flourishing condition. The Girls' School, under the care of Miss L. [illegible], has a very regular attendance of [illegible] pupils, the majority of whom have attended two or three seasons.

The Male School, under the care of JOHN WALSH, has an attendance of [illegible] pupils, with two German classes numbering over a hundred, men and boys, many of whom are well educated in the German, and are engaged in learning the English language. There is a large class in mechanical and architectural drawing, with singing and debating classes, who devote Friday evenings to these exercises.

The school rooms and gas fixtures are badly arranged.

The Girls' Evening School at No. 15, on Fifth-street, has had an average attendance of 351 pupils. It is under the care of Miss FRANCES A. MURRAY.

The Boys' School, under the care of SENECA DURAND, Esq., has an average attendance of 450 pupils, or about double the number in attendance at any other evening school in the City. A debating club, with other attractive exercises, are made a part of the usual course with the best results.

An Evening School—A Knowing Teacher.

To the Editor of the New-York Daily Times:

I am in a store, where all my time is occupied until dark. My evenings would be very much enjoyed at home, but I believed your paper, which repeatedly told me that for the like of me the Evening School would be of great advantage, and so joined the one that is kept in Varick-street. I have never regretted it, but, please, Sir, tell me, will it be of any great advantage for me when the evening is occupied as it was the other night? A substitute took our teacher's place. He employed the greater part of the time in—(I want to be respectful, but I must use the word, or a wrong one)—in gabbling. Among other things he went a long way out of his subject to inform his class that down on the Long Island the greatest ignorance prevails. "Why," said he, "down there they use the old wooden plow, yes, and if they should see a cast iron plow they would'nt know what it meant." This Mr. he elaborated with great wit and eloquence. A lad present remarked that he came from Long Island, and had not yet seen a wooden plow. The teacher presumed that the lad came from near Brooklyn, while he referred to the east end. The lad assured him that he came from the farthest eastern end, and confessed that he was even so ignorant as not to know but that his neighbors knew as much as other folks. But, really, Sir, what I want to know, is, whether if the evening school is to be employed in such teaching as this, it will pay for such as me to attend? N. E. D.

Oh, yes. Stupids stumble into places of trust, sometimes, and very ignorant boys are sometimes sent to such school, but they are the exceptions, and should not be reckoned in.

Doctors' Prescriptions—A Life-saving Effort.

A benevolent society has been started in the City, composed, thus far, entirely of ladies, for a very curious, but most worthy purpose. They have had [illegible] meetings weekly, since the 1st of April, and intend to have a Fair about the 1st of next April. The proceeds of their enterprise will be expended for the hire of a writing-master, who will offer his gratuitous services to all wealthy doctors who are unable to write legibly. The ladies have come to the conclusion, after consulting with the Coroners, and with the college of apothecaries, that many lives are lost in the course of a year for reason of the mistakes made in deciphering their abominably penned prescriptions. They anticipate some difficulty in finding a man who will undertake the task, but to the force of benevolent duty when particularly in earnest, there is no limit. The Doctors' mongrel Latin would be bad enough if written in full and plainly, but when mongrel Latin is abbreviated without rule, and then not written, but sprawled on the paper in a succession of badly imitated bug-tracks, no wonder that so many patients die of unexplained diseases.

What arrangements have the Ferry Companies made for preventing the detention of their boats by ice? Was not the Peck-slip people to think of their customers when they make half-hour trips, instead of the regular twenty-minute trips, because the wind blows, or the tide is running strong, or it rains hard. Infinite noise and confusion, swearing and leg-breaking, occurs at the Peck-slip Ferry landing, owing to the fact that there is no policeman on hand to regulate the entrance of carts at the gate late in the afternoon. You'd think Bedlam were trying to get in at the gates sometimes. There is no order—no standing in queue—nobody to superintend. As many carts pile in upon the bridge as can squeeze through—and by blocking up the place of exit, hinder carts trying to get off from the next incoming boat. One man, with a brass star on his breast, would save volumes of oaths, gallons of liniment for bruised horse-flesh, and whole cords of broken human legs.

Our readers will discover from the following that it will not do to lay off their overcoats and gloves yet:

THE COLD TERM CONTINUES.—This morning, the temperature was down to within two degrees of zero at 4, 5 and 6 o'clock, and has not risen above 15 degrees during the day.

There has been but four December mornings in a period of sixty-nine consecutive years at which the temperature has been lower or as low as this morning, viz.: 1796—Dec. 23, five degrees below, and 23d, eight degrees below zero, and 24th, at zero; 1835—Dec. 15, two degrees above zero, the same of this morning. E. MERIAM.

BROOKLYN HEIGHTS, Friday, Dec. 19, 1856.

Madame LEON, who has been recently sojourning at the Tombs in consequence of certain shop-lifting proclivities with the indulgence of which she has been charged on more than one occasion was admitted to bail yesterday in $2,000 by Judge CAPRON, on account of her critical state of health since her imprisonment.

The Madison-avenue omnibusses have posted up the following new regulations:

1. The drivers shall not stop to take up passengers after being notified that twelve *persons are already within.*

2. The horses shall be kept upon a full trot on the entire route.

Why not have a ladder or two at the Williamsburg Ferry wharves ready to rescue the unfortunates who get overboard? *They do at the Jersey Ferries*, and the enterprise saves many lives.

Board of Councilmen.

The Board of Councilmen met last evening.

A number of resolutions were read a third time, and a variety of reports were finally adopted.

The Board then went into Committee of the Whole to discuss the special order of the evening, the majority and minority reports of the Finance Committee on the Tax Levy for 1857.

The two reports were read by the clerk. After which, Councilman SWAN moved the recommendation of the substitution of the minority report. He recapitulated the statements and arguments contained in that document, and denounced the proceedings of the Mayor as one of the two Central Park Commissioners, as being arbitrary and illegal.

He was frequently interrupted by Councilman GRAY, who replied in defence of the Mayor, characterizing the remarks of Councilman SWAN as personal. Several other members took part in the debate.

Upon the question that $[illegible] be appropriated to the purposes of the Central Park, the vote was negatived by 23 to 21.

On the question that the sum be fixed at $[illegible],000—that motion was also negatived by [illegible] to [illegible].

It was moved to alter the appropriation of $[illegible],000 to $[illegible],000 so as to cover the expenses of removal of dead bodies from old Potter's field. After much discussion, the amount was fixed at $[illegible],000.

The sum of $[illegible] was added to the appropriation of $[illegible],000, for working steam fire engines.

The item "Assessments and paving" was altered on vote from $[illegible],000 to $[illegible],000.

It was agreed to recommend that $[illegible],000 be voted for an iron railing round Tompkins-square.

The Committee then rose and reported to the House. After the transaction of some other business, having sat four hours, the Board adjourned until Monday.

Union Theological Seminary.

A meeting of gentlemen was held last week at the house of ANSON G. PHELPS, Esq., to hear statements in regard to the *Union Theological Seminary of this City.* Among those present we noticed some of our prominent citizens, distinguished alike for their wealth and liberality. The Vice-President of the Board of Directors, CHARLES BUTLER, Esq., gave a brief history of the origin of the Seminary, and a statement of its present condition. The report was not only satisfactory, but encouraging in the highest degree. Though the Seminary has been in existence but 21 years, it is now one of the first three institutions in the land, standing beside Andover and Princeton. The location in a large city, which some had thought an objection, had proved eminently advantageous. The number of students had increased from year to year, the present junior class being the largest that ever entered. Yet some have left from want of sufficient accommodations. Had they a larger building, with an ample endowment and scholarships, there might be 200 students as well as 160. To secure its highest usefulness, it is important that the funds should be increased. It appeared that, beside the property already owned by the Seminary, consisting of the building in University-place, and the valuable library, a fund had been raised for its endowment of $140,000. It was desirable to raise $60,000 more to make up the sum to $200,000.

After this statement a general conversation ensued in regard to the matter. As the meeting was an informal one, designed rather to learn facts than to raise money on the spot, no attempt was made to take subscriptions. But at the close of the remarks several gentlemen at once stated what they were ready to do, and the sum of $14,000 was subscribed in a few minutes. From the spirit manifested there is little doubt that the whole sum will soon be raised.—*Evangelist*, 18th.

POLICE INTELLIGENCE.

STILL ANOTHER TICKET SWINDLE.

A lone woman from Connecticut reached the New-Haven Depôt by the noon train, Thursday, bound West. A person whom she took to be an official of the road, approached her, with great suavity, and asked if she had any baggage, to which she replied in the affirmative, and then, at his request, the woman delivered him her checks, saying she wished to go to Cincinnati by the Great Western Express train. She was taken to the foot of Duane-street and a ticket handed her, for which $19 was demanded and paid, being nearly all the money she had, but as she was going by the express train, as she supposed, she hoped to get through with the balance of her money. She was not long in making the discovery that the ticket was for the *slow train*, which would oblige her to stop on the route and compel her to additional outlay. She demanded her money back, but got only profane abuse, and $4 50. She told her complaint at the City Hall, and was kindly cared for by one of the captains of police.

To save her friends anxiety on her account, and herself mortification, she withholds her name. If people unacquainted with traveling would take it for granted that any person who officiously questions them as to where they are going, and offers them tickets, are *swindlers*, however genteel they may appear, and act accordingly, they would not make a mistake one time in five hundred. But we have so often exposed the tricks of these scoundrels, we begin to think it is "love's labor lost." It is well-known that many hundreds live in this City (chiefly in the First Ward) by carrying on these operations, embracing runners, hack-drivers, "hotel keepers," &c. And as they will continue to live until the fools are all dead, they have a long lease of life.

IMPORTANT ARREST—LARGE AMOUNT OF PROPERTY RECOVERED.

An aged, ragged and drunken specimen of the genus Loafer was seized on Thursday, at 23 minutes past 11 o'clock A. M., in a gutter, four-and-a-half feet and one inch from the northwest corner of Cow Bay, by two stalwart policemen, who brought him before the Magistrate at the Tombs.

Upon searching him, the following property was found on his person, viz:

Three pieces of cheese;
One cracker, covered with snuff;
One greasy pocket-book with nothing in it, supposed to be stolen;
One dilapidated tooth-brush;
One lemon half squeezed; and
Not a solitary red!

The property was taken from him and placed in the hands of the Property Clerk, to whom any person having lost articles of such description can apply.

The culprit was sent below. Thus it is that crime is sooner or later sure of detection and punishment. Well may the law-abiding rejoice, and (in the words of the poet)—

Sound the loud hugag,
Beat the tom-tom—
Proclaim the great zig-zag,
And then—be done!

AN EARLY BEGINNING.

James Stiles, a lad of only 16 years of age, was detected Thursday night by Officer Smith, of the Fourth Ward, in the act of conveying away a tub of butter from the cellar of Henry Miller, No. 179 South-street, into which he had forced an entrance. The young burglar was brought up yesterday at the Lower Police Court, from which place he was committed to the Tombs to await his trial at the Court of Sessions.

STEALING FROM A MINISTER.

A colored man giving his name as George Green, was arrested on Tuesday evening while passing through Sixteenth-street, by officers Culhane and Conan of the Eighteenth Ward, as a suspicious character. Four new and costly coats were found upon him, two of which were yesterday recognized by Rev. Mr. Darling, No. 9 Rutherford-place, as having been stolen from him a *few evenings since.* The other two,—a black dress coat and a black frock coat—the latter made by Hatfield, of Broadway, have not yet been claimed.

Green had on when arrested a beautiful sack overcoat, lined with silk, which is also believed to have been stolen.

He was committed yesterday, for examination on a charge of grand larceny, by Justice Davidson, of the Jefferson Market Police Court.

ARREST ON A CHARGE OF FORGING TRADE MARKS.

A drug broker, named William Leith, was arrested Thursday morning and brought before Justice CONNOLLY, at the Lower Police Court, charged with forging the trade-marks, wrappers and pamphlets of Holloway's ointment and pills. It is alleged, in the complaint, made by Mr. Driver, (Mr. Holloway's representative in this country,) that he had 50,000 copies of these marks, &c., printed; and that he sent a large number of them to the West with medicine which he sold at half the price charged for the genuine compounds. The pamphlet sent with Mr. HOLLOWAY's medicines, was very accurately counterfeited, woodcuts and all.

The counterfeit was only detected by the absence upon the last page of a note line marked HOLLOWAY. The case is a curious one.

The accused was held for a hearing, which will commence to-day.

Fairs.

Several fairs were in full swing on Thursday. The Seventh Presbyterian Church ladies are particularly satisfied with the results of theirs—they will make enough we trust to defray all the expenses they have incurred for furnishing so handsomely their Church.

The Sixth Universalist Society made a good thing of it; the ladies of the Free Church of the Holy Martyrs disposed of a large variety of articles that will comfort the little folks on Christmas morning. The Free Church of the Epiphany ladies had a good attendance all day, and were amply rewarded for their undertaking. St. Peter's ladies at the Lecture Room of the new church building on State-street, Brooklyn, went home well plea'sed with the result of their sales.

The ladies of St. James' English Lutheran Church have an attractive selection of articles at Academy Hall, which, as well as the object the ladies have in view, seem to be meeting just esteem.

The Anti-Slavery Fair opened yesterday afternoon, Clinton Hall, Astor-place. Although it had been open but little more than an hour at the time our reporter visited it, he found many there examining the articles on exhibition, which, if not as costly as those of some of the other Fairs, were arranged in good taste; and *the Quaker matron in attendances were evidently* anticipating a profitable season.

Coroners' Inquests.

PAINFUL AND FATAL ACCIDENT.

An inquest was held yesterday, at the St. Denis Hotel, Broadway, by Coroner PERRY, upon the body of AUGUSTINE L. S. ALMSON, a most interesting little girl, six years and six months old, who came *to her death from injuries received* at that place on Wednesday last.

The parents having occasion to leave the hotel on business down town for a few hours, left their little daughter in charge of one of the female servants. During their absence, deceased clambered up on the bannisters of the third floor, from which she accidentally fell to the *lower story, so injuring herself* that she died next day, from concussion of the brain. The deceased was a lovely and interesting child, for though so young in years she could speak three different languages with great fluency. She was born in England, but her parents were natives of Italy.

KILLED BY FALLING DOWN A HOLD.

A wood-sawyer, named PATRICK McGINNESS, while at work, yesterday, on board the ship *Lee Choo*, lying at the foot of Market-street, fell from the deck into the hold of that vessel, and was almost instantly killed.

Fires.

FIRE IN STONE-STREET.

A fire broke out, between 9 and 10 o'clock last night, in the large five-story brick building No. 49 Stone-street, and extending through to No. 19 South William-street, occupied as a produce commission store by JAMES HERBERT. The building and contents were almost entirely destroyed. The loss is estimated at between $30,000 and $40,000.

Mr. HERBERT is absent in New-Orleans.

IN WEST SIXTEENTH-STREET.

At 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, a fire occurred in the house of Col. THOMPSON, No. 3 West Sixteenth-street. It originated from the fireplace and did but little damage.

IN HUDSON-STREET.

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TO THOSE WHO WILL UNDERSTAND.—Why will there be no performances at Barnum's Museum this evening? Because "Retribution" is to be presented for the last time this afternoon, and all the rest of the time will be taken up by the company, the carpenters, &c., in preparing to get out in magnificent style, the superb Fairy Spectacle of "Cinderella" on Monday next. The Russian Giant and all the other curiosities may be seen, though, both afternoon and evening.

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The most durable and beautiful pictures ever made are the patent double glass Ambrotypes, the exclusive right to make which is owned by TOMLINSON, No. 447 Broadway, to whom has been awarded the highest premium at the late Fair of the American Institute.

LONG ISLAND.

A Negro Under the Bed.

Mrs. G. H.——, of Mattituck, on going into her best bed-room a few days since, discovered an insufferable odor. The bed-clothes, moreover, were removed from the bedstead, which fact was very curious, considering that but a few hours before she had made up the bed, and left everything in order.

On making search she found a strapping negro under the bed, with the bed-clothes tucked under his head for a pillow. The men-folks were called, and the interloper drawn to the light. He proved to be a colored man, famous for having the largest foot on Long Island. The poor witless fellow had been suffering from scarlet fever, and having no home of his own to go to, selected the most comfortable one that he knew of in the neighborhood. Immediate provision was made for his care, but it availed nothing. He died in the County-House at Riverhead, two days afterwards.

HENRY HORTON, of Greenport, who was arrested on suspicion of firing certain buildings in that place lately, has since died of *delirium tremens.*

The Proposed New Ferry.

The Resolutions of the Brooklyn Common Council, granting a lease of the dock at the foot of Fulton-street, Brooklyn, to JOHN A. DAYTON and associates, for the purpose of establishing a new Ferry, have been vetoed by Mayor HALL. As the resolutions had but two negative votes, they will undoubtedly be passed at the next meeting over the veto.

Fire at the Navy-Yard.

The Commodore's house in the Brooklyn Navy-Yard, was discovered to be on fire at eight o'clock yesterday morning. The Firemen of the Yard, and Engine Company No. 7, and Hose Company No. 5, of Brooklyn, promptly repaired to the spot and succeeded in preventing a conflagration. The fire caught in the roof from a spark from the chimney.

Fire in Brooklyn.

At one o'clock yesterday morning three shanties in Linkerville, near Hamilton-avenue, South Brooklyn, were destroyed by fire. One was owned and occupied by JEREMIAH CARNES, Widow DOTY, and Mr. BRADY. Loss $18. No insurance.

NEW-JERSEY.

Passaic Ice-Pond.

A water pond has been constructed by the Passaic Ice Company upon the old Beacon race-course, for the purpose of making ice. The Company purchased thirteen acres of the ground, and have constructed a pond which covers over six acres. Water will be introduced into the pond from the Jersey City Water Works, to the depth of four feet, which will require eight millions of gallons of water. One acre of ice, one foot thick, will produce 1,000 tons of ice. Last Winter the ice upon the Bergen Reservoir was from fourteen to eighteen inches thick. The Passaic Ice Company are furnishing about four tons of ice per day during the present cold weather.

Sale of Property.

Yesterday afternoon, two blocks of the vacant lots of the Hoboken Land and Improvement Company were sold at the Atlantic Hotel, Hoboken, at auction, by DAVID SCOTT, of Jersey City. The property was situated in the upper part of the city, and was partly meadow land. Thirty-four of the lots, 25x100 feet in size, were purchased by J. S. MAYNARD at the rate of $550 each. It is understood that they were bought for manufacturing purposes. Twenty lots, 20x95 feet in size, were sold to various parties at prices varying from $290 to $500 each. The sale was considered a good one. The lots were sold without restrictions or conditions as to the buildings to be put upon the lots.

It is rumored that JOHN C. STEVENS is selling his one-third of the Hoboken Ferry property and interest in the Hoboken Land and Improvement Company for $1,600,000, to MARSHALL O. ROBERTS and others.

Personal.

Miss LAURA KEENE has taken out her first papers of naturalization.

Hon. D. M. CURRIN, who has been on the Democratic Electoral Ticket in Tennessee at every Presidential election since 1840, and was never chosen until this year, failed, on account of high water and bad roads, to reach Nashville until the day after the meeting of the Electoral College, thereby losing his vote except through a substitute.

The Fifth-avenue lady—Mrs. McMAHON—made her *début* at Buffalo on Monday evening, according to announcement.

On her way across the Isthmus from California, LOLA MONTES saved a boy belonging to WALKER's army, who was sick with fever, and placed him on her own mule, while she undertook to walk from Virgin Bay.

Obituary.

Rev. ANDREW MARSHALL, the colored preacher, who had been ministering in holy things to the slave population of Savannah for nearly forty years, died last week at Richmond. His remains, encased in a neat metalic coffin, were brought from Richmond at the expense of his congregation, and buried from the First African Baptist Church in Savannah.

Mr. BENJAMIN JONES, Jr., a merchant of Philadelphia, died on Tuesday night, in the eighty-first year of his age. Mr. JONES was formerly a member of Council, and for several years officiated as Treasurer of the Girard Trust.

The Harrisburg *Telegraph* notices the sudden death of JACOB M. HALDEMAN, one of the oldest and wealthiest citizens of that borough.

MARINE ITEMS.

VESSEL WRECKED AND BURNED—HEROIC CONDUCT OF THE MATE.

Schooner *Belcher*, VERRILL, of and from Rockland for New-York, with lime, ran ashore on the eastern side of Provincetown, at 3 o'clock, morning of 18th, about 2 miles from Race Point. The mate jumped overboard and swam ashore with a line, by which the remainder of the crew got ashore safely. The schooner took fire, and will be a total loss. The account comes by Cape Cod telegraph, which, at 4½ P. M., of the 18th, reports the wind blowing fresh, and a heavy sea back of the Cape. Air full of snow and equally.

Schooner *Washington*, PATTERSON, hence for *Bath*, with ship-timber, dragged ashore on Wood Island, 14th inst., and lost rudder and keel, and was badly hogged; and when the tide left her she was 20 feet above low water mark, buried five feet in the sand. *Crew all saved.*

MISSING VESSEL.

Schooner *James and Samuel*, (of Great Egg Harbor,) Capt. EPHRAIM POTTER, sailed from Georgetown, D. C., about the 12th of November last, for Providence, with a cargo of 145 tons coal, since which she has not been heard from, and fears are entertained for her safety.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

I would communicate for the general benefit of navigation between George's Bank and Nantucket Shoals, the discovery of a rip or shoal, not laid down on any chart ever published, having but 17 feet of water upon it. The position, I have determined, is as follows: Sankaty light bears from its centre W. 14° N. or W. by N. ¼ N., distance 23 miles; north part of Fishing Rip S. nearly do. 4 miles; Chatham light N. 89° W. or N. W. by N. ¼ N. do 36 miles; longitude 69° 27'. The bearings are by compass, and the distances in nautical miles.

GEORGE ELDRIDGE, Hydrographer.

Chatham, Dec. 5, 1856.

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[illegible] Mr. [illegible], of Massachusetts, has received from a very respectable body of merchants of Boston, a memorial asking Congress to authorize the Postmaster General to contract with American steamers to carry the United States mails between Panama and [illegible]. The purpose of the memorial is [illegible] that presented last week by Mr. [illegible] [illegible]

The Slave Insurrection.

THE EXCITEMENT IN KENTUCKY—[illegible]

From the Louisville Journal.

We publish to-day a communication from a reliable correspondent in Taylor County, Ky., in reference to the discovery of a plot for a slave insurrection in the neighborhood of Campbellsville. The frequency of these reports from various parts of our own State, and of almost all the other Southern States, induces the belief that they are not altogether attributable to Northern Abolitionists. They are the unavoidable result of the speeches of Democratic incendiaries. They have been caused by the outrageous speeches and statements of the Democratic electors and Democratic organs in the recent canvass. They went about through the South falsely charging that all who opposed the Democratic Party were either Abolitionists themselves or the secret allies of Abolitionists, who intended to crush out Slavery and place the negroes on an equality with the whites. Such infamous declarations were made by Democratic speakers in the hearing of thousands of negroes, and these plans for insurrection are the natural result.

To the Editors of the Louisville Journal:

CAMPBELLSVILLE, Taylor Co., Dec. 16.

GENTLEMEN: A negro boy, owned by a gentleman in this vicinity, disclosed to his master a plot on the part of the negroes in the neighborhood to rise in rebellion about the Christmas holidays.

Several arrests of negroes implicated in the affair were made, and an examination was had before Judge GLOYD, on the 9th inst. Nothing, however, was elicited, further than the statement of the boy, to the effect that he had overheard them in conversation, say that they intended to have war with the whites during Christmas. At another time, the boy was invited to join with them, and the promise made that they would make him *rich*. Further arrests will probably be made, with a view to elicit more facts, the proof in the first case not being deemed sufficient to warrant further proceedings.

Several negroes are reported to be in possession of guns, pistols, &c. There is doubtless considerable dissatisfaction and turbulence amongst the negroes generally, which, if not promptly repressed, may cause serious trouble to their owners and the community generally. Let the people everywhere be on the alert. Truly, yours, J. H. C.

[TELEGRAPHIC.]

LOUISVILLE, Friday, Dec. 19.

The negro preacher ANDERSON was examined today at Carrollton, but nothing was proved against him. He is still held on charges from Henry and Trumble Counties.

THE TROUBLES IN TENNESSEE.

From the Memphis Evening News.

On Friday last four gallows were erected at Dover, and on Saturday four negroes were hung thereon. Some 30 or 35 slaves have been arrested at Gallatin, suspected of insurrectionary designs. Since their arrest some of them have confessed that they were concerned in the projected revolt. Ten negroes that were arrested at the Cumberland Iron Works having confessed that they were concerned in the plot, and detailed a horrible series of cruelties they were to have perpetrated, have been hung. The people in that section are driving away the free negroes, leaving none, but making all go. A negro preacher at Paducah, guilty of incendiary sermons, fled to Chicago, (a fitting place,) but if he ever puts his foot in Paducah again, he will be hung without judge or jury. All negro schools and churches have been closed, and notice given that no holiday will be allowed between Christmas and New Year's day. People are deserting plantations, and flocking into the towns, and everything is alarm and confusion. We advise every one to watch their negroes closely.

The Murfeesboro' *News* has the following item on the same subject:

"On last Thursday evening there was some excitement in town, which increased after dark and continued throughout the next day. It was not caused by a resurrection, nor an insurrection of the slaves; nor by any well grounded apprehension of either at this time; but by a self-constituted sort of vigilance committee or mob, that whipped, as we have been told, nearly every male free negro to be found in town, and ordered each one to leave the corporation and to return no more."

THE EXCITEMENT SUBSIDING.

From the St. Louis Democrat, Dec. 18.

The steamer *Sallie West*, from Nashville, yesterday, brings us the information that things were assuming the usual quiet appearance in the towns bordering the Tennessee, and also in all the districts back from the river.

The slave excitement had almost entirely ceased—peoples' minds having become quite tranquilized, as they are convinced that danger of an insurrection had passed.

A passenger informs us that a white man named TAYLOR was hanged at Dover, on Wednesday, on presumptive evidence of having been engaged in exciting the slaves to a revolt, and that a number of citizens had started from Dover, on the night previous, in pursuit of two other white men on whom suspicion rested. Six negroes were hung at Dover by the infuriated citizens.

THE ALARM IN VIRGINIA.

Correspondence of the Petersburg Express.

RICHMOND, Wednesday, Dec. 17.

No little interest exists in our city at present, consequent upon rumors of insurrectionary movements, and the women and children are, you might suppose, very much alarmed. There is, in fact, no sort of foundation for such reports. Yet it has been deemed expedient, in consideration of intelligence from other places, to take such precautions for any emergency as will be sufficient to frustrate an attempt of the sort. Twenty men have been added to the night watch, and the various military companies have received secret instructions as to their mode of action in the event of difficulty. Still, no sensible person anticipates it, and, as above intimated, the timid are alarmed at the weak inventions of their own minds. Some families in the western part of the city were much frightened the other night at a small assemblage of negroes, who were playing the banjo for their own amusement. An alarm of fire last night, at a late hour, carried terror to the minds of many, yet here we are this pleasant morning, in big Richmond, all O. K., and likely to continue so.

A person who came from New Kent county yesterday, stated that they were then in the act of imprisoning several negroes, arrested on suspicion of plotting mischief.

MARRIED.

WALTER—CONRAD.—In this City, on Wednesday, Dec. 17, at the Parsonage, No. 176 Duane-st., by Rev. L. H. King, Mr. CHARLES WALTER to Miss ELIZABETH CONRAD, all of Bridgeport, Conn.

MOORE—COLFAX.—In Brooklyn, on Thursday, Dec. 18, by Rev. Wm. J. Buddington, Mr. L. H. MOORE to Mrs. D. A. COLFAX.

CHETWOOD—BRYANT.—At Elizabeth, N. J., on Wednesday, Dec. 17, by Rev. Wm. Huckel, Mr. WILLIAM CHETWOOD, Jr., and Miss JEANNIE D., eldest daughter of J. J. Bryant, Esq., of that city.

DIED.

BANGS.—In this City, on Wednesday evening, Dec. 17, after a short illness, Mr. NATHAN BANGS, Jr., aged 48 years.

His friends, and those of his father, Rev. Dr. Bangs, and of his brothers, Lemuel, Elijah K. and Francis A. Bangs, are invited to attend the funeral services, at his *late residence, No. 33 East 20th-st.*, on *Saturday, Dec. 20*, at 10 o'clock A. M. The body will be interred at Greenwood Cemetery.

DE MENA.—In this City, on Thursday, Dec. 18, at the Everett House, after a short and severe illness, FELIPA, daughter of the late John P. Garcia, and the beloved wife of Fola De Mena, aged 27 years and 7 months.

High Mass of requiem will be celebrated at St. Stephen's *Church, 28th-st., on Saturday, the 20th inst., at 10 o'clock* A. M. Her friends, and those of her brother-in-law, William G. Lambert, Jr., are respectfully invited to attend. Her remains will be interred in the Cemetery attached to St. Patrick's Cathedral.

TORREY.—In this City, on *Friday* morning, *Dec. 19*, of scarlet fever, ANNIE LOUISA, youngest child of Samuel W. and Catharine M. Torrey, aged 3 years and 3 months.

The friends of the family are invited to attend her funeral, this (Saturday) afternoon, at 3 o'clock, from No. 36 West 22d-st.

GRIFFIN.—At *Hempstead*, on *Thursday, Dec. 18*, ANNA ELIZA, wife of Augustus R. Griffin, and daughter of the late Stephen Hewlett, aged 28 years and 6 days.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, on Sunday, Dec. 21, at 2 o'clock P. M.

EARLE.—At Catasauqua, Penn., on Thursday evening, Dec. 18, Mrs. MARIA L. LEHY, wife of Rev. Cornelius Earle.

Her remains will be brought to this City for interment, of which further notice will be given on Monday.

COMMERCIAL AFFAIRS.

For Markets see Sixth Page.

Sales at the Stock Exchange..DEC. 19.

[Table of sales, two columns of entries — legible items include: $2,000 Miss. State 6s; 10,000 Virginia 6s; 10,000 City 6s, '59; 1,000 Gosh. Branch Bs.; 1,000 Ill. Frel'd Ba.w.p.; 98 Ill. Cen. Rights; 1,000 Har. R.R. 3d Mtg.; 10 Mer. Ex. Bank; 10 Bank of Commerce; 50 B'k of Com. Scrip; 25 Commonw'h. Bank; 5 Bank State of N.Y.; 25 Ohio L. & T. Co.; 100 Cumb. Coal Co.; 100 Harlem Railroad; 40 Penn. Coal Co.; 100 N. Y. Cen. R'd; Erie RR.; Hudson R. RR.; La Cr. & Mil. RR.; 300 Reading RR.; M. S. & N. Ia. Rd.; Ill. Cen. R. R.; Clev. & Pitts. R.R.; Clev. & Tol. R.R.; Chi. & R. I. RR.; Mil. & Miss. RR.; 5 Sixth-av. Railroad; 17 Gal. & Chi. RR. 119¼ — most prices [illegible]]

FRIDAY, Dec. 19—P. M.

There was a fair amount of business in Stocks to-day, particularly at the Second Board when the dealings were very general, and at pretty steady rates, in the Railroad Shares. The last registered price of New-York and Erie, 60½; New-York Central, 91¼; Illinois Central, after selling at 122 cash, closed at that figure, buyer 30 days; Chicago and Rock Island, 107 cash, 108 buyer 30 days, [illegible] seller 30 days; Michigan Central, 87½; Michigan Southern, 87½; Toledo, 78¼; and Reading, 84¼@84½. The general market closed quite steady. The market, however, continues to be influenced adversely by the sharp inquiry for Money, which, judging from the experience of the past three or four years, appears to be almost inseparable from the closing weeks in December. The demand among the Stock Brokers was again quite active to-day. Large differences continue to be paid to carry Stocks over the new year. There is also observable to-day dearer rates of Discount paid on fair and second-class mercantile paper. Only the choice names go within [illegible] cent. per annum. The Exchange Market is dull, particularly for Sterling, which is freely offered, a portion under 109 ℘ cent.; best class bills. The standard drawers hold at 109¼@109. Francs are 5.21¼@5.20¼. There were no positive engagements of Specie for the *Atlantic* reported at the close of 'Change hour. The Sub-Treasury received to-day $352,962; paid $[illegible], and held, at the close, balances to the total of $11,307,[illegible].

Mr. THOMPSON's *Bank-Note Reporter* has telegraphic information to-day, that the notes of the Exchange Bank of Bangor, Maine, are thrown out at the Suffolk Bank, in Boston.

The Board of Brokers have resolved to fill the vacancies in the offices of President and Second Vice-President, by election on Monday, Dec. 22.

The Rome and Watertown Railroad Company have declared a half-yearly dividend of 4 ℘ cent. at their transfer office at the People's Bank in this City. The financial statement for the year ending on the 30th of September last, was as follows:

Earnings.......$[illegible]
Expenses.......$[illegible]
Interest and Sinking Fund.......$[illegible]
Net profits for the year.......$[illegible]
Or 16 [illegible] ℘ cent. for the year on the capital of $1,[illegible].

The City Comptroller offers to pay off the Water Loan due 1st of February, 1857, in advance, with interest calculated to the day of redemption.

The Canal Fund Commissioners at Albany have advertised for proposals for $1,000,000 new Canal Enlargement State 6 ℘ cents., having 19 years to run. The bids to be opened the 15th of January.

The Dry Goods Import for the week is $842,854 against $1,307,398 the corresponding week of last year. The following is the summary:

[Table of dry goods import summary — rows: Manf. of Wool..351; Manf. of Cot'n..634; Manf. of Silks..230; Manf. of Flax..308; Miscellaneous..275; Total..1,846; Total entered — figures [illegible]]

Commercial Items.

The New-Orleans *Crescent*, of the 11th inst. says: A new article of export appears in our marine list this morning. The ship [illegible] cleared for Providence yesterday with 13,000 bags oil-cake. We have been aware of several large receipts of cotton seed last month, which was intended for shipment to Northern ports, but were not aware that there was at this time a cotton seed oil factory in our midst, though there was one three years ago, and twenty-two years ago there was a regular organized association, under the title of the "Louisiana Oil and Insurance Company," which was intended to make oil from cotton seed. But the germ of great speculation started, and the manufacture of oil was abandoned, and the company went into the insurance business, under the name of the "Eagle Insurance Company," with powers duly granted by the Legislature. Its career was brief and unfortunate. It will be perceived, therefore, that the manufacture of oil from cotton seed is not of recent invention, nor a new project. It is one, however, which ought to receive more attention, and regular manufactories should be established in this city. The cost of sperm oil is yearly increasing, and it is about time that something substantial was at hand to supply the great deficiency which will take place within a few years to come. Whether the oil manufactory, recently organized in this city, is destined for the use of cotton seed, we do not know; but the manufacture of oil from cotton seed cannot be other than lucrative."

The Galveston (Texas) *News*, of the 2d inst., says: "Our friend, W. S. DEATS, Esq., of Liverpool, Brazoria County, has presented us with a couple of bottles of wine made from the mustang grape, which is much superior to common claret and more claret wine both in strength and flavor. It is not so clear as imported wine, but tastes much better than it looks; and, we have no doubt, after a little more experience, Mr. DEATS will succeed in producing a wine that will compare favorably with such clarets as we are in the habit of paying one dollar a bottle for. We understand this is his first experiment, and we have no doubt from the immense crop of grapes produced spontaneously every year, all through our State, that wine-making will, at no distant day, be regarded as one of our staple manufactures."

The Fredonia (N. Y.) *Advertiser* is assured by those somewhat familiar with the business, that from $10,000 to $15,000 worth of furs are annually produced in Chautauque County. The mink, which not long since was rated at less value than the muskrat, has now, through the effect of fashion, become a very valuable fur, ranking next to the sable, which is mostly obtained from foreign countries. The mink is still quite plentifully found in Chautauque, while the marten, some varieties of which are very valuable, is nearly or quite extinct in the county. The fur trade, locally speaking, is confined to the brief period of a few weeks, closing, for the most part, some time in the month of January.

The Franklin (La.) *Journal* of the 5th inst. says: "Our planters, many of them, have finished grinding. We have been told that the crop is less than it was ever known to be before. There are various estimates with regard to the number of hogsheads. Some think that there will not be over 4,000 hogsheads made in the parish; others go as high as 5,000. Taking the highest figure, it will be a falling off from the crop of last year of over 25,000 hogsheads. We have been told by planters who have examined mattags of cane, put up for seed, that they find a quantity of it in very bad condition."

The ship *Juniata* cleared from New-Orleans on the 11th inst., for Rio de Janeiro, with 7,000 barrels of flour, the largest cargo ever exported from that port.

Markets by Telegraph.

CHARLESTON, Friday, Dec. 19.

COTTON sales, to-day, 2,200 bales, at an advance of ⅛c. We quote good Middling at 13⅛c.

SALES OF STOCKS AT PHILADELPHIA.—Friday.—*First Board.*—$10,000 Elmira Railroad 1s, 2d mort. 61; $5,000 do. 1st mort. [illegible]; $[illegible] Pennsylvania 5s, '54, [illegible]; $2,494 City Warrants, 99; $700 City 6s, new, C. & P. 94; $2,100 do. 94½; $2,000 Schuylkill Navigation 6s, '82, C. & P. 68; 4 Pennsylvania Railroad, 43¼; 1 Little Schuylkill Railroad, 44¼; 54 Morris Canal Preferred, 102; 100 Reading Railroad, 42¼; 5 Harrisburg Railroad, 55¼; 15 North Pennsylvania Railroad, 12; 100 Long Island Railroad, 12¼; 35 Schuylkill Navigation Preferred, C. & P. 37¼.

Closing Prices.—United States 6s, '68, [illegible]; Phila. 6s, 90¼@90¾; Phila. Railroad 6s, 86; Phila. 6s, new, 94@94½; Penn. 5s, 84@84½; Reading R. R. [illegible]; Reading Railroad Bonds, '70, 81¼@[illegible]; Reading Railroad Mort. 6s, '80, 80¼; Penn. Railroad, 43¼@43½; Morris Canal, 14¼@14½; Schuylkill Navigation 6s, '82, 68@68¼; Schuylkill Navigation Stock, 17@[illegible]; Schuylkill Navigation, Preferred, 37@37¼; Williamsport and Elmira R. R., 18@20; Williamsport and Elmira R. R. 7s, 1st mort., 70½@72; Williamsport and Elmira R. R. 2d mort., 60¼@61½; Long Island, 12@12¼; Vicksburg, [illegible]; Girard Bank, 11¾@11¼; Lehigh Zinc, [illegible]; Union Canal, 9¼@9½; New-Creek, [illegible]; Catawissa Railroad, 11¾@11¼.

Passengers Arrived.

In steamship Roanoke, from Norfolk, Petersburg and Richmond—Miss E. C. Carter, H. J. Roberts, H. H. Derrick, Miss M. A. Derrick, W. Hooker, Mrs. M. C. Henry, J. J. Warren, E. B. Smith, Mrs. M. C. Clifford, J. W. Harris, Capt. Sluyter, E. H. Moore and lady, J. C. Pool, Geo. C. Leathe, F. Speeman, and 12 in the steerage.

MINIATURE ALMANAC—THIS DAY.

Sun rises.....7 20 | Sun sets.....4 30 | Moon rises..[illegible]

HIGH WATER—THIS DAY.

Sandy Hook..[illegible] | Gov. Island..[illegible] | Hell Gate..[illegible]

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

NEW-YORK.....FRIDAY, Dec. 19.

Cleared.

Steamship Atlantic, Eldridge, Liverpool, E. K. Collins & Co.

Ships Orient, Hill, Liverpool, Spofford, Tileston & Co.; Creole, Pierce, New-Orleans, W. T. Frost.

Barks Ella, Taylor, Malaga, Hower & Co.; M. Chipman, Hill, Cienfuegos, Deming, Moet & Co.

Brig Granada, Gibbs, Cadiz, Howes & Co.

Schooners E. Rodman, Osgood, New-Bedford, master; Lath Rich, Nickerson, Bucksville, E. P. Buck & Co.

Arrived.

Steamship Roanoke, Skinner, Norfolk, Petersburg and Richmond, with mdse. and passengers to Ludlam & Pleasants.

Brig Emerald, (Br.,) McDonald, Windsor 9 ds., with plaster to D. R. De Wolf.

Schr. Geo. Kilborn, Ruaill, Alexandria, and 3 ds. from the Capes, with flour to Wake & Bros.

Schr. Oregon, Krause, Washington, N. C., with naval stores to J. H. Mathews.

Schr. J. C. Willets, Parker, Virginia, with pine wood.

Propeller H. B. Beach, Sanders, Charleston.

Propeller Westchester, Clark, Providence.

WIND—During the day, N., and light.

Sailed.

Steamship Cristobal Colon, Reimer, for Havana.